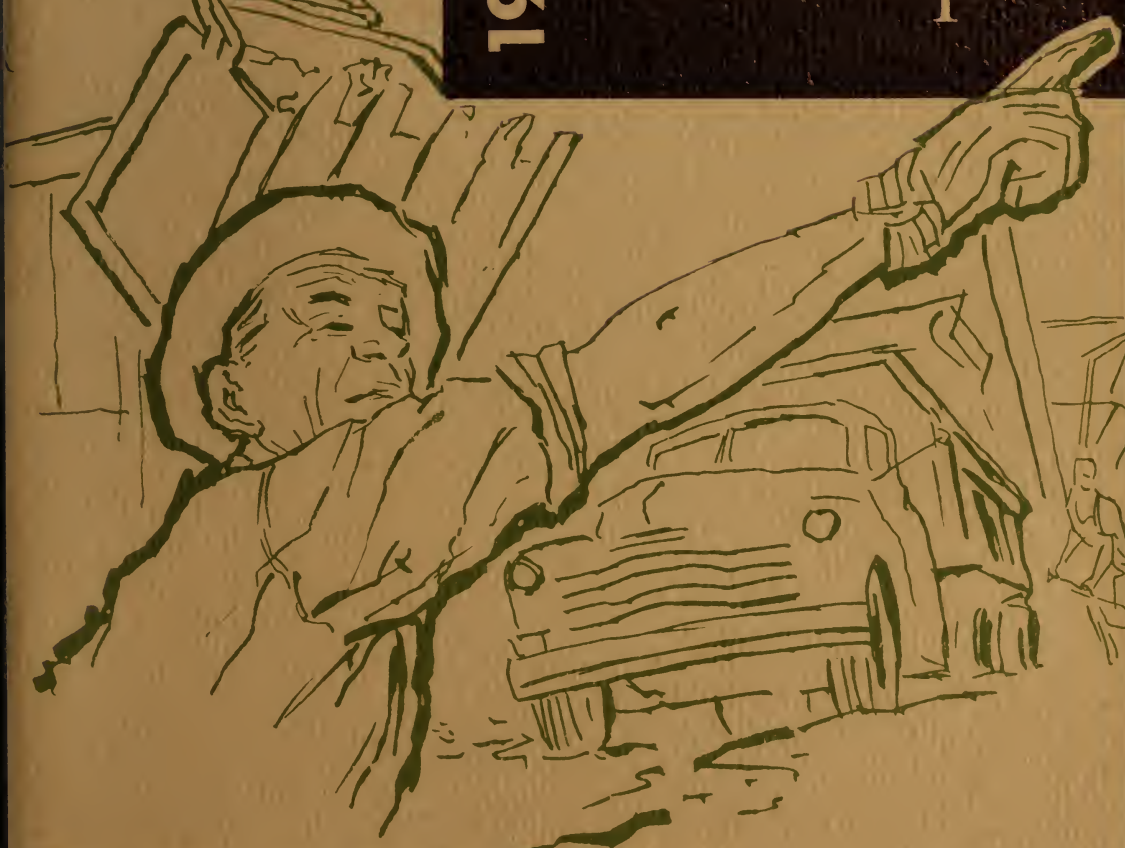




1958

annual report



AGAWAM

MASSACHUSETTS

The Massachusetts Selectmen's Association
PRESENTS

First Prize
IN THE FIRST POPULATION GROUP

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To the Town of

AGAWAM

~
In Recognition of the Excellence of its
TOWN REPORT
For the Year 1957

AND in witness thereof has caused its seal and the signatures of
its President and Secretary to be affixed hereto at Lenox on the
Tenth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.



Raymond W. Treadwell
Richard P. Heath

FOREWORD

"PROGRESS" is the Theme of this year's Town Report; or to borrow a phrase "Progress is our most important product." In these few pages we have endeavored to depict some of the many changes progress has wrought in our town.

The town was honored by having our 1957 Report chosen as the outstanding report in the Commonwealth for towns in the over 10,000 population class and it was chosen as third in the New England States Contest.

In the pages that follow we present a brief summary of the multitude of activity that took place in Agawam in 1958. More complete data may be had at any of the departmental offices.

Brandon N. Letellier
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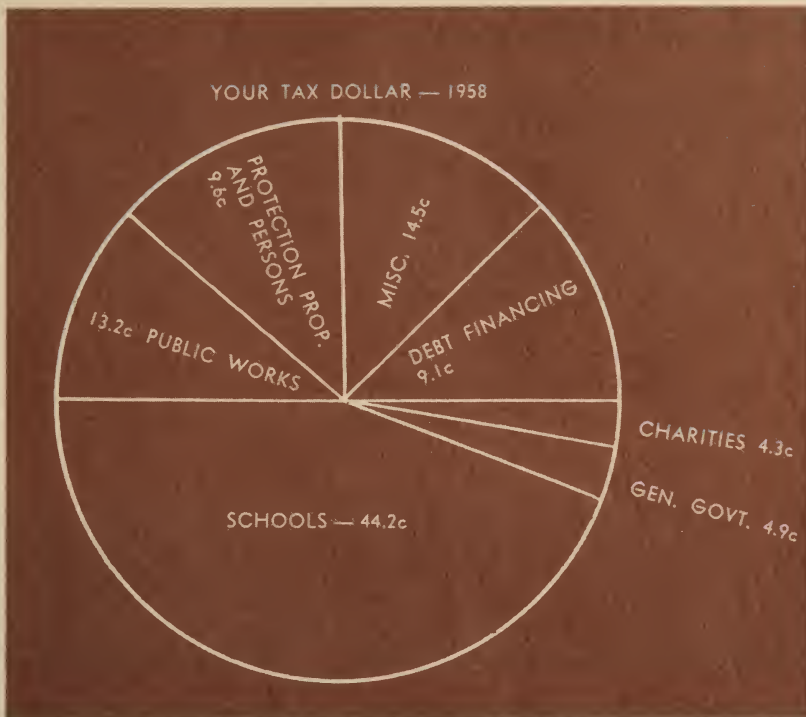


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Your Tax Dollar — 1958

Town Calendar

OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Friday

9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Thursday Evening

7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

BOARD MEETINGS

Selectmen — Monday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

Planning Board — First Thursday of Month

TELEPHONES

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Town Hall, all departments | RE 7-2616 |
| Police Department | RE 7-4767 |
| Fire Department | RE 6-2131 |
| School Department | RE 4-8045 |

Agawam Directory

Incorporated May 17, 1855

Population 1955 Census — 13,177

United States Senators

Leverett Saltonstall of Newton.

John F. Kennedy of Boston

Representative in Congress

Second Congressional District

Edward P. Boland of Springfield

Councilor

Eighth District

Raymond F Sullivan of Springfield

State Senator

Hampden, Hampshire — Berkshire District

Otto F. Burkhardt of Westfield

Representative in General Court

Eleventh Hampden District

George W. Porter of Agawam

William A. Cowing of West Springfield

Annual Town Election

Third Monday in February

Annual Town Meeting

First Saturday in March at 10:00 AM.

Highlights of 1958

Start of Construction of Route 57 By-Pass

Appointment of Committee for Shea's Field School

Establishment of Agawam Independent

Completion of Mill Street, Chapter 90

Purchase of Industrial plot by Hoods Milk

Completion of Sewer Interceptor — North Agawam

Town Report Awards — Mass. Selectmen's Association

New England Council - Economic Development

As We Look Ahead

Extension of Route 57 By-Pass
Sewer Interceptor — Agawam Center
Proposed New Armory
Revision of Zoning By-laws
Recreation Development — Lions Park
School Expansion

Aerial View of Shopping Center



Elected Town Officers

Moderator

Paul R. Langlois

Selectmen and Board of Health

Irving R. LaFleur

Walter T. Kerr

James P. Kane

Town Clerk and Treasurer

Brandon N. Letellier

Town Collector

Margaret E. Ferranti

School Committee

Phillip J. DeForge, 1961

Elizabeth B. Pond, 1961

Paul J. Adams, 1959

Paul G. Query, 1959

Katherine G. Danahy, 1960

Stewart R. Safford, 1960

Board of Assessors

William M. Bardwell, 1961

George L. Reynolds, 1959

Francis P. Cleary, 1960

Library Trustees

Clara J. McVeigh, 1961

Eva S. Kerr, 1959

Odette Z. Benjamin, 1960

Board of Public Welfare

Jerrie Cavanaugh, 1961

Andrew Chriscola, 1959

Leonard P. Rising, 1960

Cemetery Commissioners

Theodore A. Progulske, Jr.
(Appointed) 1959

G. Arthur Armstrong, 1959

Noel E. Brown, 1960

Trustees of the Whiting Street Fund

George A. Toussaint, 1960

Homer C. Allen, 1959

Tree Warden

Elmer Cascio, 1960

Planning Board

William J. McLellan, 1963

Raymond E. Charest, 1959

Walter J. LaFrancis, 1961

John B. Cirillo, 1960

Raymond E. Harris, 1962

Parks, Playground & Recreation Commission

F. Joseph Napolitan, 1959

Vito N. Depalo, 1961

Samuel F. Provo, 1960

Agawam Housing Authority

Francis J. Gensheimer, State Appointee

Walter A. Balboni, 1963

Thomas Patrick Meredith, 1960

Ted E. Dynia, 1959

Arthur W. LaFleur, 1961

Appointed Town Officers

Town Accountant

Frances M. Pedulla

Chief of Police and Dog Officer

Roland C. Reed

Chief of Fire Department

John W. Parent

Superintendent of Public Works

Morris E. Lundberg

Welfare Agent

Leafie N. Maynard, Acting

Veterans Agent — Burial Agent

Andrew C. Gallano

**Sealer of Weights and Measures —
Measurer of Wood — Public Weigher**

Louis D. Draghetti

Surveyor of Lumber

Charles W. Hull

Gypsy Moth Superintendent

Dominick J. Ricco

Board of Health Agent

Joseph M. Faucette

Inspector of Meats

Herbert G. Taylor

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Herbert G. Taylor

Artem Honchar

Animal Inspector

Joseph M. Faucette

Fence Viewers

William H. Lester

James W. Cesan

Building Inspector

James J. Gloster

Plumbing Inspector

Edward J. Desmarais

Wiring Inspector

O. William Anderson

Town Counsel

William T. Walsh

Town Prosecutor

John J. Teahan

Board of Appeals

Harold C. Atwater

James H. Kerr

Julia A. Alvigini

Paul J. Adams, Alt.

Finance Committee

Arthur W. Johnson

Phillips V. Hembdt

Hollis F. Kane

John J. Sullivan

Frank A. Grasso

Benjamin S. Bassani

Registrars of Voters

Alvin R. Kellogg, Jr.

Louis J. Lovotti

Richard J. Reiker

Brandon N. Letellier

Director of Civil Defense

Arthur Zavarella

Personnel Board

Daniel F. Sullivan

Ted E. Dynia

William J. DeForge, Jr.

Personnel Director

Joseph DellaGiustina

Industrial and Development Commission

David C. Gallano

Anthony W. Nacewicz

Kenneth A. Hollister

Fred Emerson

Valentine R. Moreno

Charles Ferrero

William McLellan

Henry E. Patnaude

Gordon H. Salmonsens

David H. Tucker

Steven W. Sliech

Raymond J. Deloghia

William W. Brezinski

Enrico Meucci

William G. Pfau

Council for the Aging

Joan M. Danford

John A. Adams

Irving R. LaFleur

Rev. John P. Shannon

Rev. Frank E. Dunn

Board of Selectmen

We would like to start our report by thanking everyone for the co-operation extended by all departments during the year of 1958.

This year brought into focus many completed projects as well as the start of others.

The new Country Club, known as the Crestview, has been completed, and have had a very successful summer and we have received many praises, as to how much it has added to the town, by not only townspeople, but from visitors to our priceless heritage — our ever growing, beautiful town in Pioneer Valley.

We have seen many more homes built this year, but more of the individual higher priced type.

The new type street lighting on our main highways has been continued on Main Street and Springfield Street. The Board, as stated last year, desires to see this program continued until all our main highways are properly lighted. The appropriation for lighting asked for in 1959 includes enough to complete Main Street and Springfield Street.

The Westfield River Interceptor Sewer line was completed and placed in service with many thanks extended to the Federal and State Governments as well as Tighe and Bond Engineering Consultants.

Another school will be started in the vicinity of Shea's Field.

The second year of the existance of our Public Works Department has shown remarkable results with the completion of all the works prescribed in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant of 1958 and special meetings. This work was processed very well by our newly appointed Superintendent, Mr. Morris Lundberg, who has proven his capabilities.

The Business and Industrial Commission has been working hard to get more industry into our town. There is still a lot of work to be done, and we wish to thank Mr. William McLellan and his committee for their work, as we realize how many hours this committee spends that is never brought to light before the public in following a so-called 'tip'.

During the past year the Board has made six trips to Boston, with reference to the new Route 57, the Mittineague Bridge, Chapter 90 work, the rip-rap on the river bank in the vicinity of the Agawam Bridge, and the West Springfield-Agawam boundary line, plus other miscellaneous projects.

We have had meetings with the West Springfield Board of Selectmen

on the boundary between the two towns, and hope to get this settled in the near future.

Again we wish to thank all the Townspeople, officials and employees for their whole-hearted support and cooperation.

Town Collector

During the year, the following balances and commitments were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer as of December 31, 1958.

| | Committed and Refunds | Collected | Abated | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1959 |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| TAXES: | | | | |
| LEVY OF 1955 | | | | |
| Poll | \$ 18.00 | \$ 18.00 | | |
| Personal Property | 156.60 | 156.60 | | |
| Motor Excise | 423.02 | 423.02 | | |
| LEVY OF 1956 | | | | |
| Poll | 30.00 | 30.00 | | |
| Personal Property | 1,398.60 | 891.80 | | 506.80 |
| Real Estate | 352.80 | 213.93 | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 138.87 | |
| Motor Excise | 3,523.47 | 1,405.60 | 1,341.54 | 776.33 |
| LEVY OF 1957 | | | | |
| Farm Excise | 4.37 | 4.37 | | |
| Poll | 298.00 | 218.00 | | 80.00 |
| Personal Property | 5,188.42 | | | |
| Refunds | 6.40 | 1,970.82 | 6.40 | 3,217.60 |
| Real Estate | 82,414.15 | | | |
| Refunds | 168.60 | 76,025.95 | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 6,556.80 | |
| Motor Excise | 56,116.44 | | | |
| Refunds | 769.93 | 49,194.58 | 2,844.38 | 4,847.41 |

| | Committed and Refunds | Collected | Abated | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1959 |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| LEVY OF 1958 | | | | |
| Farm Excise | 311.53 | 311.53 | | |
| Poll | 8,880.00 | | | |
| Refunds | 6.00 | 7,656.00 | 1,058.00 | 172.00 |
| Personal Property | 145,100.80 | 138,675.39 | 288.00 | 5,945.41 |
| Cash on hand | | | | 192.00 |
| Real Estate | 1,601,321.98 | | | |
| Refunds | 4,811.93 | 1,481,377.09 | 35,355.20 | |
| Tax Titles | | | 7,417.60 | 77,495.42 |
| Cash on hand | | | | 4,488.60 |
| Motor Excise | 222,363.03 | | | |
| Refunds | 2,749.91 | 178,488.25 | 10,662.76 | 34,067.60 |
| Cash on hand | | | | 1,894.33 |

WATER

| | | | | |
|-------------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|
| Rates | 134,579.68 | | | |
| Refunds | 5.28 | 116,159.30 | 35.28 | |
| Water Liens | | | 3,212.97 | 14,858.87 |
| Cash on hand | | | | 318.54 |
| Misc. Billings | 6,103.91 | 4,672.24 | 17.75 | 1,403.92 |
| Cash on hand | | | | 10.00 |
| Water Connections | 3,960.00 | | | |
| Refunds | 60.00 | 3,960.00 | 60.00 | |

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS:

| | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Health & Sanitation | 9,232.20 | | | |
| Refunds | 130.00 | 8,822.70 | 130.00 | 409.50 |
| School | 1,753.02 | 1,364.09 | | 388.93 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 3,557.55 | 3,551.55 | | 6.00 |
| Welfare | 12,434.05 | 10,687.63 | 712.76 | 1,033.66 |
| Old Age Ass't. State | 34,243.81 | 34,243.81 | | |
| Old Age Ass't. Cities & Towns | 2,955.49 | 2,873.18 | | 82.31 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 7,694.77 | 5,784.22 | | 1,910.55 |
| Disability Ass't. | 1,930.56 | 1,930.56 | | |
| Municipal Liens | 152.00 | 152.00 | | |

| | Committed and Refunds | Collected | Abated | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1959 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------------------------|
| BETTERMENTS | | | | |
| Apport'n'd Sewer | | | | |
| added to 1956 Taxes | 7.77 | | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 7.77 | |
| Committed Interest | | | | |
| 1956 Taxes | 2.50 | | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 2.50 | |
| Apportioned Sewer | | | | |
| added to 1957 Taxes | 305.60 | 297.83 | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 7.77 | |
| Apportioned Sidewalk | | | | |
| added to 1957 Taxes | 31.20 | 31.20 | | |
| Committed Interest | | | | |
| 1957 Taxes | 119.81 | 117.63 | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 2.18 | |
| Unapport'n'd Sewer | 13,705.25 | 7,257.45 | | |
| Refund | 120.00 | | 1,674.21 | |
| | | | **4,893.59 | |
| Unapport'n'd Sidewalk | 5,955.62 | | 4,053.41 | 1,985.21 |
| Refund | 83.00 | | | |
| Sewer Betterment | | | | |
| Paid in Advance | 2,046.93 | 2,046.93 | | |
| Apportioned Sewer | | | | |
| Added to 1958 Taxes | 2,394.35 | 2,075.71 | 17.50 | |
| Tax Titles | | | 42.09 | 259.05 |
| Apportioned Sidewalk | | | | |
| Added to 1958 Taxes | 77.83 | 46.63 | | 31.20 |
| Committed Interest | 883.73 | 769.63 | 13.30 | |
| Tax Titles | | | 11.48 | 89.32 |
| Water Liens | 3,212.97 | 1,953.36 | | |
| Tax Titles | | | 177.25 | 1,082.36 |
| ** Deferred Revenue | | | | |

Town Clerk

The year just closing has been the usual extra busy one brought on whenever State Elections roll around. In addition to the normal annual election and appropriation meeting and three special town meetings, we had to contend with the State Primary in September and the State Election in November. Citizen participation was not something of which the town would want to hold forth as pride of accomplishment as reflected by the following statistics:

| | Town Election | State Primary | State Election |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Voter Registration | 7484 | 7520 | 7545 |
| Votes Cast | 4203 | 2135 | 5800 |
| Percentage | 56% | 28.3% | 76.8% |

A few of the noteworthy votes passed at the town meetings are listed below:

Accepted a set of rules on Parliamentary Procedure for the conduct of town meetings.

Accepted a new Building Code.

Voted Departmental Operating Budgets of \$2,348,668.00.

Accepted 16 private ways as public ways.

Voted \$190,730.00 for extension of the Westfield River Interceptor Sewer.

Voted \$695,730.00 for a new elementary school at Shea's Field.

The activation of Chapter 106 of the General Laws, commonly known as the Uniform Commercial Code, made necessary a transfer to this department's operating budget from the Reserve Fund. The Commercial Code, which brings Massachusetts filing of commercial paper into close uniformity with other states, drastically revised our existing system of filing and made an outlay for new equipment and supplies, over the planned budget, obligatory.



The latest word in church construction as exemplified by the new Sacred Heart Church being erected on Springfield Street.



Meadow Street Industrial Area begins to abound in industrial construction of the type pictured by the Vanadium Alloys Steel Company.

Town Accountant

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

| | Balance Jan. 1, 1958 | Appro- priation | Additions | Available | Expenditures | Unexpended Balance |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Moderator | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | 25.00 | |
| Selectmen — Salaries | | 7,184.00 | | 7,184.00 | 7,184.00 | |
| Out of State Travel | | 225.00 | | 225.00 | | 225.00 |
| Other Expense | | 1,265.00 | | 1,265.00 | 1,217.30 | 47.70 |
| Duplicating Machine | | 375.00 | | 375.00 | 335.00 | 40.00 |
| Accounting — Salaries | | 8,164.00 | | 8,164.00 | 8,164.00 | |
| Out of State Travel | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 33.31 | 16.69 |
| Other Expense | | 772.00 | 45.00 | 817.00 | 816.14 | .86 |
| Town Clerk, Treas. — Salaries | | 13,220.00 | | 13,220.00 | 13,195.00 | 25.00 |
| Other Expense | | 1,975.00 | 718.18 | 2,693.18 | 2,625.49 | 67.69 |
| Collector — Salaries | | 11,880.00 | | 11,880.00 | 11,880.00 | |
| Other Expense | | 3,440.00 | 8.72 | 3,448.72 | 3,238.72 | 210.00 |
| Assessors — Salaries | | 13,632.00 | | 13,632.00 | 13,384.50 | 247.50 |
| Other Expense | | 1,950.00 | | 1,950.00 | 1,739.71 | 210.29 |
| Law — Salaries | | 3,500.00 | | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 | |
| Appraisals | | 700.00 | | 700.00 | | 700.00 |
| Other Expense | | 800.00 | | 800.00 | 415.60 | 384.40 |
| Special Counsel—Enfield Dam | 364.22 | | | 364.22 | | 364.22 |
| Election, Registration — Sal. | | 3,900.00 | 811.76 | 4,711.76 | 4,711.76 | |
| Other Expense | | 2,200.00 | | 2,200.00 | 2,114.70 | 85.30 |
| Adminstra. Bldg. Salaries | | 6,995.00 | | 6,995.00 | 6,871.00 | 124.00 |

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Fuel, Light and Telephone | 5,075.00 | 214.89 | 5,289.89 | 5,289.89 |
| Other Expense | 3,350.00 | | 3,350.00 | 3,324.96 |
| Other Town Buildings | 430.00 | 11.24 | 441.24 | 441.24 |
| Police — Salaries | 111,480.00 | | 111,480.00 | 105,201.45 |
| Uniforms | 1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | 1,417.77 |
| Safety Officer Program | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 249.43 |
| Out of State Travel | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 32.25 |
| New Cruisers | 4,400.00 | 2,260.00 | 6,660.00 | 6,510.95 |
| Other Expense | 11,475.00 | 28.97 | 11,503.97 | 11,428.97 |
| School Traffic Officers | 5,385.00 | | 5,385.00 | 5,106.00 |
| Fire — Salaries | 93,740.00 | | 93,740.00 | 92,196.05 |
| Equipment | 1,200.00 | | 1,200.00 | 1,194.60 |
| Uniforms | 290.00 | | 290.00 | 290.00 |
| Out of State Travel | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 97.29 |
| Other Expense | 7,360.00 | | 7,360.00 | 6,801.17 |
| Sealer — Salary | 1,800.00 | | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 |
| Other Expense | 625.00 | 2.40 | 627.40 | 546.77 |
| Building Inspector — Salary | 5,338.00 | | 5,338.00 | 5,338.00 |
| Other Expense | 875.00 | | 875.00 | 811.21 |
| Building Code | | | 114.00 | 114.00 |
| Electrical Inspector — Salary | 1,600.00 | | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 |
| Other Expense | 400.00 | | 400.00 | 392.90 |
| Tree Warden—Salary & Labor | 5,400.00 | | 5,400.00 | 5,399.20 |
| Equipment Rentals | 2,400.00 | | 2,400.00 | 2,399.50 |
| Tree Planting | 2,000.00 | | 2,000.00 | 1,999.00 |
| Spraying | 1,300.00 | | 1,300.00 | 1,150.00 |
| | | | 114.00 | |
| | | | | 63.79 |
| | | | | 114.00 |
| | | | | 7.10 |
| | | | | .80 |
| | | | | .50 |
| | | | | 1.00 |
| | | | | 150.00 |

| | Balance Jan. 1, 1958 | Appro- priation | Additions | Available | Expenditures | Unexpended Balance |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Removal of Dutch Elm | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | |
| Other Expense | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | | 50.00 |
| Gypsy Moth Control | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 | |
| Dog Officer | | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 244.40 | 5.60 |
| Health — Agent | | 4,940.00 | | 4,940.00 | 3,478.00 | 1,462.00 |
| Hosp. & Premature Babies | | 5,500.00 | | 5,500.00 | 368.12 | 5,131.88 |
| Other Expense | | 1,400.00 | | 1,400.00 | 1,383.32 | 16.68 |
| Town Nurses — Salaries | | 12,324.00 | | 12,324.00 | 12,324.00 | |
| Other Expense | | 1,950.00 | 36.00 | 1,986.00 | 1,909.23 | 76.77 |
| Plumbing Inspector — Labor | | 2,800.00 | | 2,800.00 | 2,214.00 | 586.00 |
| Other Expense | | 125.00 | | 125.00 | 48.57 | 76.43 |
| Animal & Slaughter Inspects. | | 1,188.00 | | 1,188.00 | 1,188.00 | |
| Rubbish Collection | | 11,020.00 | | 11,020.00 | 10,420.61 | 599.39 |
| Garbage Collection | | 13,400.00 | | 13,400.00 | 13,300.00 | 100.00 |
| Sewers Maintenance | | 34,800.00 | 10,200.00 | 45,000.00 | 44,945.40 | 54.60 |
| Drain Pipe | 86.24 | | | 86.24 | | 86.24 |
| South St. San. Sewer — 1956 | 5,009.31 | | | 5,009.31 | 5,009.31* | |
| South St. San. Sewer — 1957 | 4,890.05 | | | 4,890.05 | 4,878.50 | 11.55 |
| Senator Ave. Storm Sewer | 1,373.89 | | | 1,373.89 | 1,373.89* | |
| Springfield St. Sanitary Sewer | | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 1,602.14 | 1,397.86 |
| Senator Ave. Sanitary Sewer | 115.93 | | | 115.93 | 115.93* | |
| Westfield River Interceptor | | | | | | |
| & Syphon. | | 5,730.00 | 500.00 | 6,230.00 | | 6,230.00 |
| Homer St. Storm Sewer | 2,419.29 | | | 2,419.29 | | 2,419.29 |

| | Balance Jan. 1, 1958 | Appro- priation | Additions | Available | Expenditures | Unexpended Balance |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Barry St. Bridge Reconstruc. Engineering — Salaries | | 18,600.00 | 14,025.00 | 14,025.00 | 12,057.97 | 1,967.03 |
| Equipment | | 1,150.00 | | 18,600.00 | 10,702.46 | 7,897.54 |
| Other Expense | | 1,850.00 | | 1,150.00 | 750.00 | 400.00 |
| Street Lights | | 58,000.00 | | 1,850.00 | 1,222.28 | 627.72 |
| Suffield St. Sidewalk | | 4,200.00 | | 58,000.00 | 51,533.45 | 6,466.55 |
| Cooper St. Sidewalk | 4,020.43 | | | 4,200.00 | 4,184.95 | 15.05 |
| North St. Reconst.—1956 | 4,550.39 | | | 4,020.43 | 925.00 | 3,095.43 |
| Chap. 90 Construction—1956 | 4,267.02 | | | 4,550.39 | 4,270.18 | 280.21 |
| Construction — 1957 | 37,907.96 | | 1,200.00 | 5,467.02 | 5,418.57 | 48.45 |
| Construction — 1858 | | 53,000.00 | | 37,907.96 | 23,059.17 | 14,848.79 |
| Maintenance — 1958 | | 10,500.00 | | 53,000.00 | 41,513.36 | 11,486.64 |
| U. S. Grant — Old Age Assistance | 21,586.16 | | 41,947.92 | 63,534.08 | 33,156.87 | 30,377.21 |
| Old Age Administration | 5,359.55 | | 2,363.82 | 7,723.37 | 1,673.65 | 6,049.72 |
| Old Age Assistance | | 60,000.00 | 335.55 | 60,335.55 | 54,450.14 | 5,885.41 |
| Old Age Administration | | 4,200.00 | | 4,200.00 | 2,755.72 | 1,444.28 |
| U. S. Grant — Aid to Dependent Children | 6,111.35 | | 6,940.47 | 13,051.82 | 4,175.35 | 8,876.47 |
| Dependent Children Adm. Aid to Dependent Children | 4,464.26 | | 1,186.85 | 5,651.11 | 791.98 | 4,859.13 |
| Dependent Children Administration | | 15,000.00 | 55.75 | 15,055.75 | 13,991.91 | 1,063.84 |
| U. S. Grant, Disability Assist. Administration | 3,912.10 | 1,800.00 | | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | |
| | | | 2,534.07 | 6,446.17 | 3,259.98 | 3,186.19 |

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--|
| Disability Administration | 1,001.63 | | | | | |
| Disability Assistance | | 420.84 | 1,422.47 | 716.09 | 706.38 | |
| Administration | 2,000.00 | 70.20 | 2,070.20 | 2,070.20 | | |
| General Relief — Salaries | 700.00 | | 700.00 | | 700.00 | |
| Other Expense | 2,200.00 | | 2,200.00 | 2,023.11 | 176.89 | |
| Relief | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 500.67 | 99.33 | |
| Veterans Benefits | 16,850.00 | 4,052.20 | 20,902.20 | 20,806.70 | 95.50 | |
| Schools—Salaries, Repairs, etc. | 10,500.00 | 3,937.19 | 14,437.19 | 14,387.19 | 50.00 | |
| Fuel and Light | 1,017,878.00 | 12.00 | 1,017,890.00 | 1,000,836.33 | 17,053.67 | |
| Transportation | 44,550.00 | 1,336.32 | 45,886.32 | 45,886.32 | | |
| Out of State Travel | 94,950.00 | | 94,950.00 | 84,912.20 | 10,037.80 | |
| George Barden School Funds | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 435.96 | 164.04 | |
| School Lunch Funds | 215.72 | | 215.72 | 212.48 | 3.24 | |
| School Athletic Funds | 5,559.81 | 139,830.58 | 145,390.39 | 145,354.80 | 35.59 | |
| New Elementary School | 2,591.47 | 9,772.87 | 12,364.34 | 9,718.20 | 2,646.14 | |
| (Revenue Funds) | | 500.00 | 6,230.00 | 6,230.00 | | |
| Land Purchase — | | | | | | |
| Main and Reed Sts. | 1,875.00 | | 1,875.00 | | 1,875.00 | |
| Elementary School Committee | | | | | | |
| — South St. | 19.96 | | 19.96 | | 19.96 | |
| Libraries — Salaries | | | 1,125.00 | 1,125.00 | | |
| Fuel and Light | | 25.57 | 675.57 | 675.57 | | |
| Other Expense | | 2,857.03 | 3,007.03 | 2,949.39 | 57.64 | |
| Parks and Playgrounds | | | | | | |
| — Salaries | | | 8,000.00 | 7,267.50 | 732.50 | |
| Equip. and Other Expense | | | 2,225.00 | 1,641.65 | 583.35 | |

| | Balance Jan. 1, 1958 | Appro- piation | Additions | Available | Expenditures | Unexpended Balance |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Shea's Field—Baseball Field | | 9,600.00 | 75.40 | 9,675.40 | 7,775.40 | |
| | | | | | 1,900.00* | |
| Shea's Field—Softball Field | | 1,900.00 | | 1,900.00 | 1,639.50 | 260.50 |
| Safety Council of West. Mass. | | 197.00 | | 197.00 | 197.00 | |
| Damages to Persons and Prop. | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 25.64 | 474.36 |
| Previous Years Bills | | 3,518.15 | | 3,518.15 | 3,505.90 | 12.25 |
| Aid to Agriculture | | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 100.00 | |
| Widow's Annuity | | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| Business Development Comm. | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 77.00 | 423.00 |
| Council for the Aging | | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 95.00 | 5.00 |
| Finance Committee Expense | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 49.83 | .17 |
| Foreclosure of Tax Titles | | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 15.00 | 185.00 |
| Group Life Insurance | | 800.00 | | 800.00 | 285.77 | 514.23 |
| Liability Insurance | | 7,500.00 | | 7,500.00 | 6,083.73 | 1,416.27 |
| Memorial Day | | 550.00 | | 550.00 | 521.86 | 28.14 |
| Retirement Contribution | | 31,220.00 | | 31,220.00 | 31,219.18 | .82 |
| Surety Bonds | | 820.00 | | 820.00 | 816.50 | 3.50 |
| Town Vehicle Insurance | | 3,415.00 | 69.51 | 3,484.51 | 3,484.51 | |
| Unclassified | | 2,300.00 | | 2,300.00 | 1,649.43 | 650.57 |
| School Survey Committee | | | 17.20 | 17.20 | 17.20 | |
| Reserve Fund | | 30,000.00 | | 30,000.00 | 29,642.42 | 357.58 |
| Land Taking — Ease for Drain | 2.00 | | | 2.00 | | 2.00 |
| Land Taking — | | | | | | |
| Heirs of D. Crowley | 150.00 | | | 150.00 | | 150.00 |

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|---------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Land Taking — John S. Sarat | 1,500.00 | | | 1,500.00 | | | 1,500.00 |
| Industrial Park Preliminary Map | | 9,000.00 | | 9,000.00 | | | 9,000.00 |
| Civil Defense — Clerical | 91.19 | 600.00 | | 691.19 | | | 1.19 |
| New Radios | 44.47 | | | 44.47 | 690.00 | | |
| Out of State Travel | 365.40 | | | 365.40 | 44.47* | | |
| Water Pump | 21.44 | | | 21.44 | 165.40* | | 200.00 |
| Police Radio | | 2,806.75 | | 2,806.75 | | | 21.44 |
| Other Expense | | 1,600.00 | 504.18 | 2,104.18 | 2,806.75 | | 22.88 |
| Planning Board | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 2,081.30 | | 387.80 |
| Board of Appeals | | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 112.20 | | 87.00 |
| Water — Contract | | 55,000.00 | | 55,000.00 | 513.00 | | 7,624.17 |
| Construction | | 12,000.00 | | 12,000.00 | 47,375.83 | | .16 |
| Construction — Maple Ave. | | | 300.00 | 300.00 | 11,999.84 | | 300.00 |
| Pipe, Ramah Circle South | | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 2,933.82 | | 66.18 |
| Other Expense | | 55,700.00 | 51.50 | 55,751.50 | 55,710.38 | | 41.12 |
| Cemeteries—Maintenance | | 800.00 | | 800.00 | 540.00 | | 260.00 |
| Veterans' Graves | | 226.00 | 4.00 | 230.00 | 230.00 | | |
| Rebuilding Cemeteries | 400.00 | | | 400.00 | | | 400.00 |
| Maple Grove Rebuilding | 340.00 | | | 340.00 | 131.83 | | 208.17 |
| South Westfield St. Rebuild. | 200.00 | | | 200.00 | | | 200.00 |
| Interest — Bond Debt | | 58,622.00 | | 58,622.00 | 58,621.25 | | .75 |
| Revenue Loans | | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 | 2,862.66 | | 2,137.34 |
| Debt | | 175,000.00 | | 175,000.00 | 175,000.00 | | |
| TOTALS | \$ 312,916.30 | \$2,633,107.90 | \$ 283,237.45 | \$3,229,261.65 | \$2,935,130.34 | \$ | \$ 294,131.31 |

* Transfers

| Assets | | | Liabilities and Reserves | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash — Revenue | | \$ 561,475.26 | Payroll Deductions: | |
| Accounts Receivable: | | | Blue Cross | 45.18 |
| Taxes: | | | Group Life Insurance | 5.40 |
| Levy of 1958 | | | U. S. Savings Bonds | 470.79 |
| Poll | 172.00 | | Credit Union | 2,258.50 |
| Personal | 6,137.41 | | | |
| Real Estate | 81,984.02 | | | |
| | | | | 2,779.87 |
| Levy of 1957 | | 88,293.43 | Temporary Loans | 14,000.00 |
| Poll | 80.00 | | Loans Authorized and Unissued | 850,000.00 |
| Personal | 3,217.60 | | Tailings | 161.95 |
| | | | Water Connection Deposits | 150.00 |
| Levy of 1956 | | 3,297.60 | Contract Guarantee Deposits | 1,800.00 |
| Personal | | | Board of Appeals Deposits | 29.19 |
| | | 506.80 | Old Age Recovery | 880.00 |
| Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise: | | | Disability Assistance Recovery | 113.20 |
| Levy of 1958 | 35,961.94 | | Trust Fund Income: | |
| Levy of 1957 | 4,847.43 | | Phelon Library | 63.37 |
| Levy of 1956 | 776.33 | | Old Cemetery | 120.97 |
| | | 41,585.70 | Feeding Hills Cemetery, General | 31.77 |
| Special Assessments: | | | Feeding Hills Cem. — Perpetual | 56.64 |
| Unapportioned Sidewalk | 1,985.21 | | Maple Grove Cemetery | 215.43 |
| Apportioned Sidewalk Added | | | | |
| to 1958 Real Estate | 31.20 | | Road Machinery Fund | 488.18 |
| | | | School Lunch Receipts | 274.39 |
| | | | | 35.59 |

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| Apportioned Sewer Added to 1958 Real Estate | 259.05 | |
| Commit'd Interest, 1958 | 89.32 | |
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| Tax Titles | 21,627.45 | |
| Tax Possessions | 2,663.69 | |
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| Departmental: | | |
| Sewers | 310.00 | |
| Highways | 99.50 | |
| Welfare | 1,033.66 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 1,910.55 | |
| Old Age Assistance | 82.31 | |
| Veterans Benefits | 6.00 | |
| Schools | 388.93 | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Water Department: | | |
| Rates | 15,177.41 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1,413.92 | |
| Water Liens Added to 1958 | | |
| Real Estate Taxes | 1,082.36 | |
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| Aid to Highways: | | |
| State | 13,398.56 | |

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|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| School Athletic Receipts | | 2,646.14 |
| Federal Grants: | | |
| Old Age Assistance | 30,377.21 | |
| Old Age Administration | 6,049.72 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 8,876.47 | |
| Dependent Children — Admin. | 4,859.13 | |
| Disability Assistance | 3,186.19 | |
| Disability Administration | 706.38 | |
| George Barden Funds | 3.24 | |
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| Unexpended Appropriation Balances: | | 54,058.34 |
| Special Counsel — Enfield Dam | 364.22 | |
| Westfield River Interc. & Syphon | 6,230.00 | |
| Homer St. Storm Drain | 2,419.29 | |
| Drain Pipe | 86.24 | |
| South St. Sanitary Sewer — 1957 | 11.55 | |
| Springfield St. Sewer | 1,397.86 | |
| Westfield River Interceptor Sewer | 46,388.86 | |
| Interceptor Sewer Plans | 582.64 | |
| Adams St. Sanitary Sewer & Lift | 22,635.75 | |
| Meadow St. Sewer | 6,322.67 | |
| Ramah Circle North — Drain | 7,500.00 | |
| King Ave. Sanitary Sewer | 3,189.86 | |
| Cooper St. Sanitary Sewer | 6.68 | |
| Broz Terrace Sanitary Sewer | 1,474.67 | |
| Barry St. Bridge Reconstruction | 1,967.03 | |

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|---|-----------|-----------------------|
| Tax Title | 24,291.14 | |
| Special Assessment | 2,364.78 | |
| Departmental | 3,830.95 | |
| Water | 17,673.69 | |
| Aid to Highways | 33,302.39 | |
| | | 123,048.65 |
| Overestimated to be Used as Available Funds: | | |
| State Parks & Reservations | 69.80 | |
| Tuberculosis Hospital Assesmt. | 402.37 | |
| | | 472.17 |
| Surplus Revenue | | 423,328.88 |
| | | <u>\$1,644,841.02</u> |

NON - REVENUE

Assets
Cash

\$ 26,118.96

\$ 26,118.96

Liabilities

New Elementary School — 1958
New Elementary School — South St.

\$ 21,816.43
4,302.53

\$ 26,118.96

DEFERRED REVENUE

| Assets | | Liabilities | |
|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|
| Apportioned Sewer Assessment Revenue Not Due | \$ 18,628.19 | Apportioned Sewer Assessments Due 1959 - 1977 | \$ 18,628.19 |
| Appor. Sidewalk Assessm't Revenue Not Due | 451.57 | Apportioned Sidewalk Assessments Due 1959 - 1973 | 451.57 |
| | <u>\$ 19,079.76</u> | | <u>\$ 19,079.76</u> |

Aerial photo of the magnificent new plant of Buxton, Inc., nationally famous makers of leather goods. Just above may be seen the frozen food processing plant of Tinti's, Inc.



Town Treasurer

CASH RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Cash Balance January 1, 1958..... | | \$ 673,965.69 |
| From Town Collector | | 2,145,858.68 |
| From Commonwealth of Massachusetts | | |
| Corporation Tax | 52,448.46 | |
| Income Tax | 24,412.75 | |
| Meal Tax | 2,784.03 | |
| School Building Assistance | 83,153.44 | |
| State Aid (Teachers' Salaries) | 146,757.65 | |
| Vocational Education | 9,537.37 | |
| Braille Instruction | 1,499.20 | |
| School Transportation & Tuition | 59,696.60 | |
| O. A. A., Federal Grants | 44,046.44 | |
| A. D. C., Federal Grants | 8,127.32 | |
| Disability Assistance | 2,809.81 | |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 35,577.54 | |
| | <hr/> | 470,850.61 |
| From County of Hampden | | |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 9,246.28 | |
| Dog Licenses | 2,857.03 | |
| | <hr/> | 12,103.31 |
| Temporary Loans | | 734,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 509,045.64 |
| Total Receipts | | 3,871,858.24 |
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| Grand Total | | \$4,545,823.93 |

CASH PAYMENTS

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To Hampden County | | |
| Dog Licenses | 3,279.50 | |
| County Tax | 34,210.23 | |
| Contributory Retirement | 57,500.34 | |
| | <hr/> | 94,990.07 |
| To U. S. Government | | |
| Withholding Tax | 177,788.60 | |
| U. S. Savings Bonds | 2,775.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 180,563.60 |
| To Commonwealth of Massachusetts | | |
| State Parks & Reservations | 6,151.29 | |

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|---------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| State Audit | 4,408.87 | |
| State Bottling License | 20.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 10,580.16 |
| Municipal Debt | | |
| Temporary Loans | 720,000.00 | |
| School Building Loans | 175,000.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 895,000.00 |
| Interest on Debt | | |
| Temporary Loans | 2,862.66 | |
| School Building Loans | 58,621.25 | |
| | <hr/> | 61,483.91 |
| Warrants for All Other | | 2,715,611.97 |
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| Cash on hand and in banks | | 587,594.22 |
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| | | \$4,545,823.93 |

Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors is pleased to present its annual report for the calendar year 1958.

During the past year the complete institution of the equalization program relating to dwellings was accomplished. As of the present, the assessment values of dwellings in our town is relatively based upon their location, age, condition and size. Such procedure, the board feels, falls in line with a progressive policy practiced in many towns of our State.

There are some who would criticize this program destructively due to the fact that it was not engineered by professional evaluators. In defense of such criticism, your board continues to stand firm in the belief that, regardless of the percentage of evaluation in relationship to the selling price of this real estate, general equality by facts and figures and not by guess has been accomplished.

As for the future, there is more to be done. All commercial properties have not been completely equalized. "Carry over" land values need attention in this program. A persevering and ambitious board can accomplish this end with harmonious action.

There are others who would question why increased commercial valua-

tions do not offset increased expenditures, thereby delaying an increase in the tax rate. The fact of the matter is that although new income is being derived from such sources as the new Crestview Country Club, Vanadium Steel, F. K. Williams Co., the return of the Airport property to the taxable lists, development of commercial interests on the Ramah tract, and others, these added interests still fall somewhat short of our additional annual appropriations.

Having summarized the above facts, the Board generally concludes that in order to maintain a normal tax rate, overly generous "installment buying" at appropriation meetings must be carefully scrutinized and the invested effects thereof thoughtfully deliberated.

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|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of Horses Assessed | 30 |
| Number of Cows Assessed | 11 |
| Number of Neat Cattle Assessed | 3 |
| Number of Swine Assessed | 25 |
| Number of Fowls Assessed | 2,300 |
| Total Number of Livestock | 2,369 |

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|--|---------------|
| Value of Assessed Stock in Trade | \$ 157,605.00 |
| Value of Assessed Machinery | 1,248,100.00 |
| Value of Assessed Livestock | 6,400.00 |
| Value of All Other Tangible Property Assessed | 855,095.00 |

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|--|-----------------|
| Total Value of All Personal Property Assessed | \$ 2,267,200.00 |
|--|-----------------|

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|--|--------|
| Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed | 3,941 |
| Number of Acres of Land Assessed | 12,150 |
| Number of Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed | 7,932 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 3, 1958 | 342 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 13, 1958 | 203 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 22, 1958 | 340 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 12, 1958 | 291 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed March 18, 1958 | 448 |

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|---|-----------------|
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 4, 1958 | 281 |
| Number of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed May 7, 1958 | 3 |
| Value of Motor Vehicles and Trailers | \$ 4,311,310.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 3, 1958 | 197,360.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 13, 1958 | 104,900.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 22, 1958 | 124,650.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 12, 1958 | 117,560.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed March 18, 1958 | 335,220.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 4, 1958 | 252,970.00 |
| Value of 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed May 7, 1958 | 650.00 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on Motor Vehicles and Trailers | 222,363.03 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 3, 1958 | 7,642.88 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 13, 1958 | 3,525.68 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 22, 1958 | 4,286.99 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 12, 1958 | 3,434.24 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed March 18, 1958 | 7,032.13 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 4, 1958 | 3,433.25 |
| Excise Tax Assessed on 1957 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed May 7, 1958 | 20.09 |

Valuations

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Value of Buildings Assessed | \$21,376,328.00 |
| Value of Land Assessed | 3,644,328.00 |
| Total Value of Real Estate | <u>\$25,020,656.00</u> |

Value of Personal Estate 2,267,200.00

Total Value of All Assessed Estate \$27,287,856.00
(upon which taxes have been levied
as follows):

County Tax \$ 32,541.95
1957 Under Estimate 1,978.34
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment 1,180.40
State Audit 4,408.87

State Parks and Reservations 6,221.09
1957 Under Estimate 171.34
Town Appropriation 2,663,689.61
Veterans' Service District 6,418.67
Ch. 32B Group Insurance 15,000.00
Overlay of Current Year 33,056.82
----- \$ 2,764,667.09

Less Estimated Receipts

Income Tax \$ 150,464.84
Corporation Taxes 39,841.57
Reimbursement on Account of Publicly
Owned Land 9,332.73
Old Age Tax (Meals) Ch.. 64B S.10 2,133.48
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise 204,550.00
Licenses 17,000.00
Fines 1,500.00
Special Assessments 10,000.00
General Government 4,000.00
Protection of Persons and Property 400.00
Health and Sanitation 13,000.00
Charities 13,000.00
Old Age Assistance 34,000.00
Veterans' Services 4,500.00
Schools 61,800.00
Libraries 150.00

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| Recreation | 100.00 |
| Public Service Enterprises (such as Water Dept.) | 120,000.00 |
| Interest on Taxes and Assessments | 3,000.00 |
| State Assistance for School Constr. Chapt. 645 Acts of 1948 | 83,000.00 |
| In Lieu of Taxes | 3,200.00 |
| Farm Animal Excise | 300.00 |
| Housing Authority | 1,500.00 |
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| Total Estimated Receipts | \$ 776,772.62 |

Over Estimate 1957:

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|--|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| County Tuberculosis Hospital | \$ | 822.56 | |
| Amounts Voted from Available Funds: | | | |
| July 10, 1957 | \$23,424.11 | | |
| August 30, 1957 | 18,702.63 | | |
| December 17, 1957 | 15,703.10 | | |
| March 14, 1958 | 86,055.69 | | |
| March 14, 1958 | 87,905.60 | \$ 231,791.13 | \$ 1,009,386.31 |
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| Net amount to be raised by Taxation | | | \$ 1,755,280.78 |
| Number of Polls 4,429 @ \$2.00 | \$ | 8,858.00 | |
| Value of Personal Property \$2,267,200.00 @ \$64.00 | | 145,100.80 | |
| Value of Real Estate \$25,020,656.00 @ \$64.00 | | 1,601,321.98 | |
| <hr/> | | | \$ 1,755,280.78 |

100 year old well uncovered on King Avenue during sewer repair work.

Cyuthia Tricinella, left, of Highland Ave., playground instructor at the Peirce School, is pictured overlooking checker game between Albert Lapore and Robert Scoville. Other kabitzers are: Frank Morassi, Larry Moore, Joan Compton, Lynn Ann Moore. Leonard Patnaude and Jack Decker are in the background right.





Gridiron Mothers relax after highly successful dinner which honored their sons for being runner-up in the Western Massachusetts Class AA Football League.

Fire Department

Monthly inspections were made on all places of public assembly, apartment houses, all churches, nursing homes, nursery schools, Riverside Park, stores, factories, storage buildings, all gasoline stations inspected and permits checked. Brady Village Housing Project was found in good condition.

All schools were inspected and fire drills conducted. All schools were found in good condition with no fire hazards. Recommend fire escapes and sprinklers in Danahy school as this is one of our older schools.

About 400 Christmas trees were fireproofed by the firemen as a public service to townspeople and gratifying to us to see so many taking advantage of this spraying as a fire precaution.

As chief of the department I again wish to express my fullest appreciation to the entire force of firefighters for their performance and abilities to arduous duties.

ELECTRIC MOTORS 5

OIL BURNERS 7

CHIMNEYS 4

FALSE 4

DUMPS 17

AUTOS 25

EMERGENCY, ETC. 44

BUILDINGS 68

GRASS & BRUSH 128

CALLS ANSWERED — 302

OUTSIDE FUEL & OIL 30

LIQUIFIED PET. GAS 35

GASOLINE TANKS 10

OIL BUR. — 275 GAL. TANKS 117

INSPECTIONS — 192

Police Department

I herewith submit my annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1958.

PERSONNEL

Chief of Police

Roland C. Reed

Sergeants

R. Kenneth Grady
Romeo H. Borgatti

Stanley L. Rhodes
Howard R. Minor

Patrolmen

John J. Chriscola
Edward E. Harpin
Donald E. Conkey
Henry A. Drewnowski
Peter J. Bertera
Alfred Longhi

Louis R. Tatrow
Henry C. Earle
Edmund F. Kalinowski
William R. Colson
Paul Kerr
Stanley J. Chmielewski

Douglas F. Carr
Raymond J. De Forge
Edward G. Borgatti
Earl Fadgen
Frank Evangelist

The year of 1958 was an active year for your Police Department in the fulfillment of its duties in behalf of the Citizens of our town.

A sustained program of crime prevention and public safety has proven very valuable and it is with pride that we report that there were no fatal automobile accidents on our highways during 1958.

The ambulance service provided by your Police Department was utilized in 229 cases during the past year. In addition there were 182 medical cases transported in police cruisers.

During 1958 three more officers: William R. Colson, Peter J. Bertera and Henry A. Drewnowski, each received one month's training at the State Police Academy in Framingham, Massachusetts. They were the 14th, 15th, and 16th members of the Department to receive this valuable training.

Safety Officer, John Chriscola attended six Safety Officers meetings and conducted fourteen Safety Programs in schools and clubs during 1958.

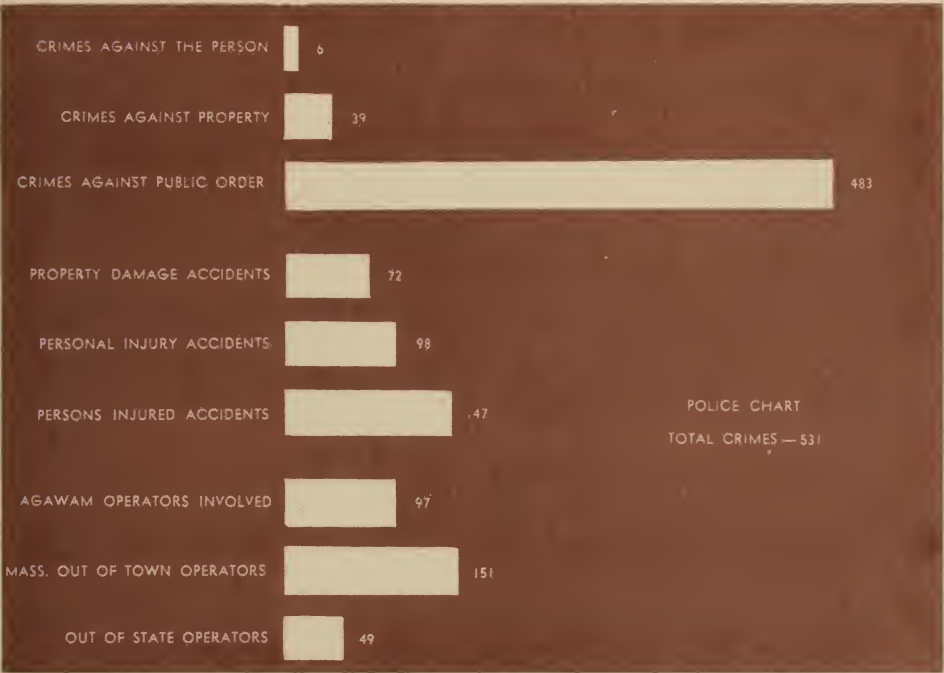
The Town of Agawam is still growing in population and increasing its business establishments. It is only natural that your Police Department must

keep pace with the progress and growth of the town if Agawam is to retain its enviable reputation.

As Chief of the Department, I express my fullest appreciation to the entire force. Their abilities and their loyal performance to arduous duties are to be commended.

To the Selectmen, I again express my sincere thanks for their whole-hearted cooperation.

To our citizens, we will strive to merit your continued confidence in us. Guarding your property and welfare is our privileged duty and we will expend all efforts to continue Agawam as a good community in which to work and live.



Council for the Aging

This is the first annual report of the Council for the Aging. During the months of this past year the Committee has met regularly to discuss the problems of the Senior Citizens in general and what can be done in particular for those senior citizens who live in Agawam. Out of such meetings have come certain ideas of value that have been most helpful in making the life of the older citizen more enjoyable.

For example more than 300 identification cards were issued to senior citizens which allowed them to take advantage of certain discounts in various stores in our community. The School Committee generously granted free admission to all athletic events as well as shows that were given under the direction of School authorities.

A member of the Council served as a listening post every Tuesday afternoon between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. at Town Hall, hearing problems, suggestions, ideas, and often making it possible for a senior citizen to be helped by and through the resources of our community and the State, known by the Council and Council members, whereas senior citizens might be quite unaware of the fact such resources are available to them.

We are now studying the feasibility of a housing project in Agawam for our senior citizens and anticipate having something concrete to offer on this within three to six months. The Council is a direct outlet for the Massachusetts Council for the Aging.

Civil Defense Agency

The year 1958 was marked by considerable activity at the Federal and State levels, as well as locally. Federal Civil Defense and Office of Mobilization were combined by the President into Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization (OCDM) with headquarters at Battle Creek, Michigan. The Ground Observer Corps was terminated, in favor of radar and other early warning systems. The 85th Congress passed Public Law 606 which places the federal government squarely in the driver's seat, instead of merely coordinating the national civil defense effort.

At State level there has been a change in the office of Director; the new appointee by the Governor being Col. John J. Devlin. The Mass. Civil Defense Agency (MCDA) has emphasized the shelter program and pioneered

the construction and exhibition to the public of a typical home shelter in Wilbraham, commemorating Civil Defense Day, Dec. 7th.

In Agawam we have augmented our Public Safety radio communications facilities with a new Inter-city police network and six modern "walkie-talkie" units that have been widely used to advantage by Fire, Health, C. D., and D. P. W., as well as Police personnel. Two additional Attack Warning sirens have been installed on School Street and Leonard Street. A successful test evacuation of all our schools was held last May along with a token trip to our dispersal point in Granville, in observance of the National C. D. Test Alert. The first training course of its kind in this area was given at the Granger School by Mr. James H. Loomis, Jr. to fire department officers of Agawam and surrounding towns in the use of radioactive survey meters for fallout detection.

Plans have been made for the compilation of a comprehensive C. D. Operational Plan for the community, as required by P. L. 606, and to bolster the communications, evacuation, and shelter programs as advocated by MCDA.

Shown at the start of operation of the new "Inter-City Radio Network" are: Front, Police Chief Roland C. Reed, C. D. Director Arthur Zavarella, Fire Chief John W. Parent. Rear, C. D. Director of Southwick, Merwin Tuttle, and George A. Doersam, equipment installer.



Building Inspector

During the year many violations were noted and corrected, also many cases of building without a permit were found and although these were all adjusted satisfactorily, as Building Inspector I am reluctant to prosecute anyone. The Building Department intends to take court action against anyone deliberately building without a permit in 1959.

The rigid restrictions changing the Zoning By-laws in regard to Industrial zoned property were the cause of much concern to those owning Industrial property, and to Industrial developers who found it difficult or impossible to meet the requirements of the new Zoning By-laws, and no doubt retarded Commercial and Industrial development.

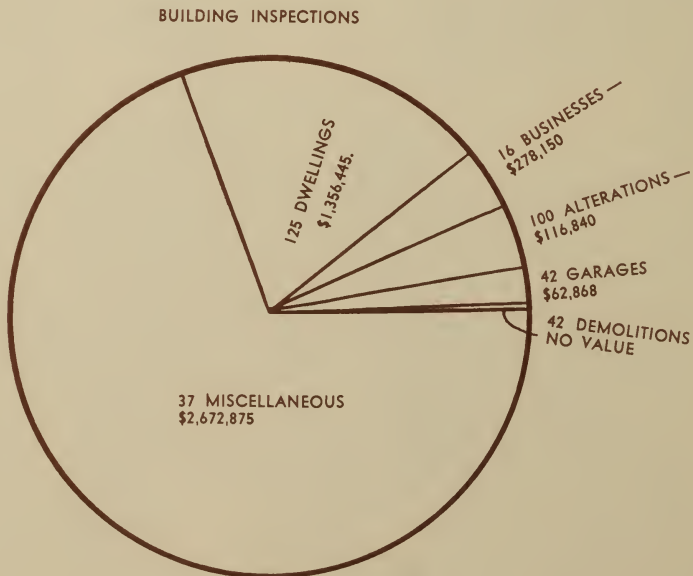
During the year this department made periodic inspections of factories, churches, schools, bars, night clubs and places of public assembly. Nearly all inspections showed that these places are in good condition and meet the regulation of the Department of Public Safety.

Zoning By-law violations were numerous and the Building Inspector as enforcement officer made many calls correcting these conditions.

For the year 1959, Agawam can look forward to the largest dollar value of building in its history.

The potential at the present time in Industrial and Commercial building amounts to approximately \$3,000,000. and a change in the Zoning By-laws might possibly bring more developments to add to the above.

In closing may I state that it has been a pleasure to serve you as your Building Inspector.



Electrical Inspector

I herewith submit this annual report as Electrical Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1958.

Fewer new dwelling inspections but more commercial and industrial inspections have been made. Many new industries have required new services, or changes, in existing service capacities and equipment inspections.

Re-inspection of wiring in old buildings has required many man hours where re-wiring must be done with a minimum of service interruption to tenants.

Violations of the code are uncovered occasionally, and suggested changes have been made with the grateful co-operation of owners and contractors.

Several new houses are being heated by electrically heated hot water storage systems or by electric panel or baseboard and wall insert heating units. This phase of heating, being new, has had the assistance of the various suppliers, contractors, utility engineers and this Building Department.

The Crestview Country Club building has been completed and is to be considered the finest in the east, and a great asset to Agawam.

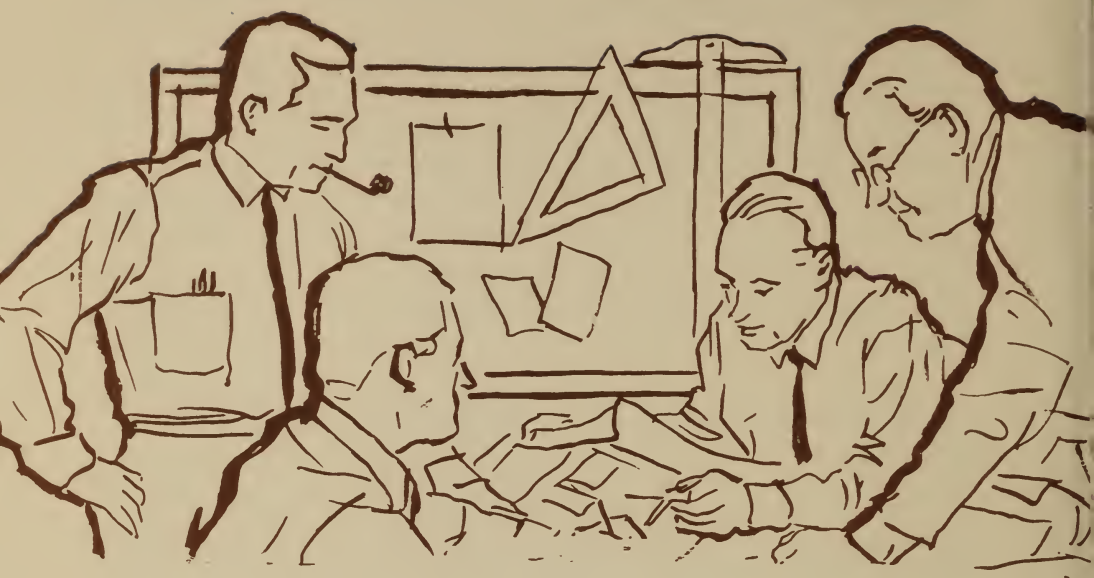
Plumbing Inspector

I herewith submit this annual report as Building Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1958.

During the year 1958, 495 permits were issued for which 738 inspections were made, covering industrial buildings, new homes, alterations, hot water tanks, heaters, safety valves, refrigeration work, air conditioning and flue pipes.

As your Plumbing Inspector, I would at this time like to express my appreciation for the cooperation shown me by all the plumbers and owners of buildings and homes in Agawam. I assure you that I will continue to do my utmost to keep the Town of Agawam a clean and healthy place to live, and be a credit to all. It has been a pleasure to serve you. Your suggestions, help and advice are always welcome.

Mr. Charles Ferrero has assumed duties as Plumbing Inspector since October due to the fact of an accident suffered by our Plumbing Inspector.



Planning Board

The Agawam Planning Board held eleven meetings and six special meetings, five of which were zone change hearings.

The Board is contemplating a revision of the Zoning By-laws which would create two Industrial zones, Industrial A and Industrial B.

Industrial A would retain the major principals of the protective measure recently approved and which, at this time, will apply only to that area boarded by Suffield Street, Shoemaker Lane and Silver Street for which the protection was originally intended.

The Industrial B area will include the provisions of Industrial B zoning as set forth in the Zoning By-law prior to the passing of the protective amendment. This will include all originally zoned Industrial areas which will be governed by original regulations set forth in the Zoning By-laws.

During the year, the Planning Board began the necessary steps to have a master plan for the Town of Agawam made available.

Board of Appeals

Forty-three petitions asking variations from the requirements of the Zoning By-laws or the Building Code were filed with the Board during 1958.

Two petitions were withdrawn, two were denied and thirty-eight were granted and one case is pending. In several cases where the petition was granted, the Board included in the decision such restrictions as they considered necessary to protect the best interest of the town and neighborhood.

We wish once more to remind persons considering the purchase of a building lot or existing buildings to make sure that plans they may have for the future use of the property are in compliance with the various By-laws of the town as well as the various State laws involved.

Every year for some time past, the Board has had frequent petitions for variation of side lot requirements to allow the addition of garage and/or breezeway to an existing dwelling. The Board is able to grant a variance on comparatively few of these petitions because the courts have ruled that if a garage can be located on the lot in such a manner as to comply with the requirements of the Zoning By-laws, the desire of an owner to have it attached to the house is not a sufficient reason to grant a variation.

Lack of the consideration of the conditions cannot be considered a legal "Hardship." It is absolutely necessary to prove "Hardship" before any variation can be granted by this Board.

Advanced swimming group with leader, Miss Judy Clark at left. Others in photo, left to right: Gregory Hart, Terry Becker, Richard Hill, Charles Prenderville, Richard Eagan, David LaBranch, Kenric Gallano, Donald Rivest.



Department of Public Works

Morris E. Lundberg was appointed Superintendent of Public Works to replace Theodore Hamel who resigned in March, 1958. Mr. Lundberg assumed his duties on April 14, 1958.

The Public Works Department is divided into five sections namely: Highway, Sewer, Water, Rubbish and Engineering.

Highway Section: During 1958 the following streets were resurfaced by Town forces:

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|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Sterling Road | 625 lin. ft. |
| Colonial Avenue | 700 lin. ft. |
| Mill Street | 3000 lin. ft. |
| Alhambra Circle South | 1400 lin. ft. |
| Franklin Street | 1500 lin. ft. |
| Sylvan Lane | 200 lin. ft. |
| Haskel Street | 200 lin. ft. |
| Greenacre Lane | 100 lin. ft. |
| Washington Street | 750 lin. ft. |
| Ralph Street | 900 lin. ft. |
| South Street | 4000 lin. ft. |

The following streets were reconstructed by Town forces:

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|-----------------------|---------------|
| South Street | 1000 lin. ft. |
| Virginia Street | 500 lin. ft. |
| North Street | 2000 lin. ft. |
| Fruwirth Avenue | 300 lin. ft. |

Berms were installed on the following streets: North Westfield St.; Elm Street; Southwick Street; Silver Street; School Street; Spencer Street; North Street; Suffield Street; Springfield Street; Cooley Street; Moore Street; Scherpa Street; Shoemaker Lane and Poplar Street.

Sidewalks were constructed on Suffield Street and on Cooley and High Streets abutting St. Theresa's Church.

Unpaved streets were treated with a total of 16,553 gallons of bituminous dust layer.

The Chapter 90 Maintenance funds were used to put 3000 feet of bituminous concrete overlay on Springfield Street from Main Street to O'Brien's Corner.

3400 feet of bituminous concrete overlay was installed on Suffield Street from Main Street to the top of Bailey Hill.

The Barry Street Bridge was rebuilt by Town forces with money allocated by the Massachusetts Flood Relief Board.

Chapter 90 Construction funds were used to install surface drains and reconstruct Mill Street from the High School to Springfield Street, approximately 6500 lineal feet.

New concrete posts for street signs were constructed by Town forces and many old ones were painted and remarked.

Sewer Section: The following sanitary sewers were constructed during 1958:

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|--------------------------|---------------|
| Broz Terrace | 750 lin. ft. |
| Cooper Street | 750 lin. ft. |
| King Avenue | 250 lin. ft. |
| Alhambra Circle | 1450 lin. ft. |
| Ellison Avenue | 700 lin. ft. |
| Meadow Street | 1100 lin. ft. |
| Main Street | 450 lin. ft. |
| Springfield Street | 350 lin. ft. |
| Ramah Circle South | 1100 lin. ft. |

The Adams Street Sewer construction is now in progress. The Westfield River Interceptor Sewer was completed this year. It was necessary to install future sewer connections underneath River Road before the road was resurfaced. 600 feet of storm drainage was constructed on Shoemaker Lane to relieve poor drainage conditions in that location. Town forces also reconstructed a drain from Kirkland Street into the Meadows for better drainage.

47 sewer connections were made during the year; 141 plugged sewers were serviced and 35 emergency calls were made at night, Sundays and Holidays. Several house connections were installed on Mill Street while Chapter 90 Construction work was in progress in order to avoid breaking up the new road in the future. A drainage ditch was installed in the shopping center to alleviate the water conditions. A special crew was put to work to clean out all catch basins throughout the Town.

Water Section: We were forced to impose water restrictions in August for the remainder of the summer months due to low water pressure, particularly in the Feeding Hills section. House connections were installed on Mill Street as were the sewer connections while the Chapter 90 Construction was in progress.

79 new water connections were made and 64 renewals were installed. 150 service calls were made and 60 emergency calls were made at night, Sundays and Holidays. Three new water gates were installed on main lines to eliminate large areas from loss of water in case of water breaks. More will be installed during 1959. 148 new water meters were installed and 69 defective meters replaced.

Engineering: The Engineering section was called upon to make a topographic survey of Shea's Field School site for the school building committee. Maps were completed showing all utilities such as sewer lines, water lines, surface drains, gas mains and type of roads throughout the Town. A list was completed of total length of all utilities which were added to our Town system during the past 5 years. Plans and specifications were drawn up for all sanitary sewers and sidewalk construction during the year. Miscellaneous work carried out by the department included street numbering, inspection of new streets in housing developments and laying out of public streets.

The following streets were accepted in 1958: Sylvan Lane; Florida Drive; South Florida Drive; Campbell Drive; Edgewater Road; Valley Street; Frances Street; Meadowbrook Road; Channell Drive; Century Street; Poinsetta Street and Clematis Road.

Rubbish Section: The rubbish schedule is divided into six sections with a pickup in each section of the Town every 3 weeks. Rubbish schedule cards are available in the Public Works office.

The garbage collection is contracted and has proven very successful.

New Equipment: A stone roller was purchased to replace one which had been idle for some time. A new concrete mixer was also purchased. A new seweroder was purchased and has proven invaluable to the sewer crew in many instances. A new truck was also purchased. Old and inadequate equipment which we have on hand is proving very expensive and will have to be replaced in the very near future.

Veterans' Agent

I herewith submit my annual report as your Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services for the year of 1958.

In 1957 this department extended aid for hospitalization, doctor, med-

ication and ordinary benefits in the amount of \$9,179.55. In 1958 the amount increased to \$14,218.33 or 55.4% above the previous year. The increase shown here reflects the situation as it is in general throughout the state.

The rising cost can be attributed primarily to the recession experienced in the nation and the high rate of unemployment in this area. In addition a state directive increased the budget allowance on aid cases by 8.6% due to cost of living increases.

Most agents in the state are of the opinion that the cost of benefits will increase during 1959. I concur with these opinions, because various signs common to social service workers are indicating these increases.

The increased expenditure has naturally increased the case load and work of this department. The number of cases processed was 47% higher than 1957.

This department was instrumental in acquiring pensions both service connected and non-service connected for a substantial number of widows and Veterans, thereby increasing the amount of Federal revenue paid to residents of Agawam.

During the year I was called upon from time to time to speak before various Civic and Veterans' organizations, and it was with pleasure that I accepted these offers with the thought in mind that people of the community would have a better understanding of the functions of the Veterans' Services Department.

I express my appreciation to the Board of Registrars for their willingness to allow their department to undertake the task of taking the 1959 census of veterans, so that we may determine how many are residing in Town at the present time. This will be accomplished in addition to the regular work of the street listing.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen for the cooperation they have given this department, in particular for their employment of Veterans in the Department of Public Works, thereby alleviating and reducing this department's expenditures. Also, for their assent to move our offices to new quarters with a private interviewing room. This now affords the Veterans and their dependents the privacy to which they are entitled to because of the nature of the cases involving their welfare.

During 1959 I will endeavor to administer the affairs of this department to the best advantage of the Veteran, his dependents and the Town of Agawam.

Housing Authority

The Agawam Housing Authority has concentrated its efforts during the year 1958 on keeping the Project in good condition. The water seepage in the cellars, due to improper drainage, has been corrected and the area surrounding the affected buildings has been resurfaced and reseeded. The paint contracts for exterior painting of all buildings have been awarded to an Agawam firm and work will begin as soon as the weather permits. Interior and exterior maintenance and improvements have been accomplished to the full extent of funds allowed in the budget.

In 1959 the Authority is planning to make an extensive study to determine if there is a need for housing for the aged in Agawam.

We have again discussed with the State Housing Board the possibility of heating our domestic hot water with a gas water heater. This would enable us to shut down the boilers in the summer for cleaning and repair. The State Housing Board has agreed to lend us their aid in an attempt to secure the best and most economical system.

The Authority plans to begin work on improving the condition of the grounds and landscaping this spring.

Admission and occupancy limits as set by the State Housing Board are as follows:

ADMISSION LIMITS

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 Minor Dependent | \$3900.00 |
| 2 Minor Dependents | 4150.00 |
| 3 Minor Dependents or more | 4350.00* |

CONTINUED OCCUPANCY LIMITS

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 Minor Dependent | \$4400.00 |
| 2 Minor Dependents | 4600.00 |
| 3 Minor Dependents or more | 4800.00* |

* In computing rents the State Housing Board has given permission for a \$200.00 deduction from total family income for each minor dependent in excess of three.

The average cost of shelter rent for two or three bedroom units (without heat or hot water) is \$43.00 per month. During the year there were 13 vacancies which were filled from applications on file.

The Authority has paid to the Town of Agawam this year, in lieu of

taxes, the sum of \$1,584.00. Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1958 are included with this report.

Mr. Lorin C. Geoffrion, Custodian at the Project since its origin in 1949, has had to retire because of his health. The Authority wishes to thank Mr. Geoffrion for his years of faithful service and to wish him many years of happy retirement.

Once again we wish to thank everyone who cooperated in helping us to maintain our present high standards at Joseph Brady Village.

PROJECT 200-C BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 1958

ASSETS

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------------|
| Administration Fund | | \$ 17,116.37 |
| Petty Cash Fund | | 10.00 |
| Accounts Receivable — Tenants | | 237.00 |
| State Aid Receivable | | 875.00 |
| Debt Service Fund 200-1 | \$ 9,528.75 | |
| Debt. Service Fund 200-2 | 113.79 | |
| | | <hr/> 9,642.54 |
| Investments | | |
| Worcester Fed. Savings, Spfld. 3% | \$ 6,592.94 | |
| Worcester Fed. Savings, Spfld. 3% | 8,200.79 | |
| Springfield Fed. Sav., Spfld. 3% | 3,312.89 | |
| U. S. Treasury Notes | 2,000.00 | |
| | | <hr/> 20,106.62 |
| Debt Service Trust Fund | | 241.58 |
| Development Costs | \$471,000.00 | |
| Less: Development Cost Liquidation | 54,000.00 | |
| | | <hr/> 417,000.00 |
| Total Assets | | <hr/> \$465,229.11 |

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

| | | |
|--|-------------|-----------------|
| Accrued Liabilities | | |
| Payments in Lieu of Taxes | \$ 1,188.00 | |
| Matured Interest & Principal 200-1 | 9,528.75 | |
| Matured Interest & Principal 200-2 | 1,470.00 | |
| | | <hr/> 12,186.75 |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Tenants Security Deposits | 1,025.00 |
| Bonds Authorized | \$471,000.00 |
| Less: Bonds Retired | 54,000.00 |
| | <hr/> 417,000.00 |
| Reserves | |
| Debt Service 200-1 | \$ 8,051.68 |
| Debt Service 200-2 | 3,059.39 |
| Unamortized Bond Prem. | 2,241.58 |
| Operating Reserve | 15,744.76 |
| | <hr/> 29,097.41 |
| Surplus | 5,919.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Liabilities and Surplus | \$465,229.11 |
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Project 200-C

Statement of Income and Expense

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 1958

INCOME

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Shelter Rent | \$ 22,508.90 |
| Utility Charges to Tenants | 7,093.20 |
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| Dwelling Rent Income | \$ 29,602.10 |
| Miscellaneous Project Income (Interest) | 554.76 |
| Total Project Income | <hr/> \$ 30,156.86 |

EXPENSES

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|--|-----------|
| Administrative Salaries & Services | \$ 999.84 |
| Other Administrative Expense | 847.03 |
| Compensation to Authority Members | 215.62 |
| Accounting Salaries & Services | 999.84 |
| Water | 1,018.08 |
| Electricity | 424.31 |
| Gas | 169.01 |
| Fuel Oil & Heating Supplies | 5,829.71 |
| Heating Labor | 999.84 |
| Materials & Supplies — Repairs & Maintenance | 1,095.18 |
| Contractural Services — Repairs & Maintenance ... | 1,877.61 |
| Insurance Expense | 1,349.31 |
| Payments in Lieu of Taxes | 1,584.00 |
| Provision for Debt Service Reserve | 1,495.07 |

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|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Debt Service Requirements | 17,107.46 | |
| Total Expense | | \$ 36,011.91 |
| Deficit (Before State Aid) | | \$ 5,855.05 |
| Commonwealth Contribution | \$ 11,025.00 | |
| Reduction from Prior Surplus | 750.00 | |
| Total State Aid | | \$ 11,775.00 |
| Surplus | | \$ 5,919.95 |

Tree Warden

The year of 1958 was a great year of progress. The removal of dangerous and badly infected trees continues and the results are gratifying.

This report is being written early in January and even though we have had reported gusts of winds up to 60 miles per hour there has been no damage throughout the town.

New tree planting continues and the results of previous years plantings are now beginning to look like our time and patience is being well rewarded.

Dutch Elm, which has plagued the town for the last fifteen years, is still with us but with the removal of many diseased trees it is not now one of our serious problems.

The coming year of 1959 should find more tree planting in the Plains area along with a few sections off River Road.

A new program of feeding our young trees will be instituted in the Spring of 1959.

Welfare Board

This board meets in the Welfare office as the need arises, and have met on several occasions this year.

At the last meeting the budget for 1959 was considered and approved as presented.

Welfare Agent

This has been a year of problems.

Changes in the Social Security rules have made it possible for some of our cases to receive assistance that made it possible for them to have the names removed from our rolls, and some cases not being aided have been helped to apply for this aid, thus assisting in some families being relieved of support of cases in the family group, where the head of the family has gone on retirement.

This factor also applied to at least one Aid to Dependent Children leaving our rolls.

Families where the father and head of the household have disappeared and it has been necessary to take these cases over.

Two large families have been aided because of illness. One has been able to return to work, and we are hoping the other will in a short time.

Out of doors workers are always slowed down at this time of the year, so temporary relief has to be furnished to tide families over.

We established what is called the Clearing House so that clubs, churches, and many public spirited citizens could help families with food baskets, clothing and toys for children clearing the names, thus avoiding duplication of gifts. This plan seems to have worked very well for all concerned.

This meant a great deal of work for our staff, especially Mrs. Edith Larsen, our Social Worker, but she was glad to be of such genuine service to border line cases as well as to those on our regular lists. In fact, the greater part of this work was done for the borderline cases, needing a little boost at the holiday time.

Dr. Eber A. Wein, local physician, is pictured above as he examines young Richard Hill of 547 Franklin Street, preparatory to Richard's acceptance to the Agawam Y.M.C.A.'s Day Camp.



Sealer of Weights and Measures

As Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Agawam I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 1958.

WEIGHING & MEASURING DEVICES

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|------------------|-----|
| Adjusted | 74 |
| Sealed | 704 |
| Not Sealed | 3 |
| Condemned | 7 |

TRIAL WEIGHING AND MEASUREMENTS OF COMMODITIES SOLD OR PUT UP FOR SALE

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Total Number Tested | 943 |
| Number correct | 574 |
| Under | 132 |
| Over | 237 |

INSPECTIONS

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Peddler's Licenses | 16 |
| Oil Certificates | 12 |
| Marking of Bread | 81 |
| Marking of Food Pkgs. | 265 |
| Clinical Thermometers | 141 |
| Ice Scales | 2 |
| Junk Scales | 3 |
| Oil Jars | 19 |
| Other Inspections | 8 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 406 |

SEALER'S WORK SUMMARY

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| Devices Sealed, Adjusted, Condemned | 785 |
| Trial Weighings and Measurements | 943 |
| Inspections | 406 |
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| Total | 2134 |
| Sealing Fees Collected | \$337.55 |

It is fitting at this time, in starting the new year, that our citizens be re-

minded that the proper supervision of weight and measure in the sale of the necessities of life and other commodities is just as vital to their best interests as police and fire protection.

In order to obtain a full measure of protection it is the duty of all persons to report any deficiencies noted, so that this department may determine whether this condition is a result of carelessness or willful intent.

As most short weights in the sale of foodstuffs are directly traceable to natural shrinkage through evaporation constant inspections and tests are necessary, as these deviations from the printed net weights constitutes serious losses to all consumers annually. When found, they are immediately subjected to condemnation or adjustment.

Board of Health

This year has seen changes in the Health Department. First, we want to extend our thanks to our new Health Agent, Mr. Joseph Faucette, for the wonderful way he has taken over his new position and responsibilities. We wish to thank the people of the town and the employees for their cooperation.

The office of the agent has been moved to the other side of the laboratory and is now located next to the Nurse's office. This arrangement will make the work of the Health Department function more smoothly.

All Sanitary Sewer and Surface Drainage voted at the Town Meeting have been completed, as well as many miscellaneous water and drainage complaints that have been received during the year 1958.

The Westfield River Interceptor Sewer has been completed and we are now in the process of an extension to this project to complete the drainage problems in the Main St. area in the vicinity of the former Caldon tract. The new 18" and 20" disposal line into Bondi's Island will be constructed during the present year. An allotment of Federal Funds has been received to assist in financing this from Bondi's Island Treatment Plant to Main St. at a location between Reed and Federal Streets.

Again, we would like to extend our thanks to all the townspeople, officials and employees for their help and cooperation during the year of 1958.



Dr. Kurt H. Kohn, School Physician, and Nurse Josephine Cassella of the Agawam Health Department, at work in the first grade of the Danahy School, giving injections to test for TB.

Health Agent

I herewith submit my 1958 report which will cover the activities and programs of the Health Department as of April, at which time I assumed the duties of Health Agent. Part of the first few weeks was spent orientating and acclimating myself to all the duties pertaining to this office. However, health activities never slacked off during this time.

1958 saw the continuation of the Tuberculin Testing program for the first graders in all schools and for the seniors at the High School. This test will show if one has been exposed to or has come in contact with tuberculosis. The program was initiated in 1957 and has proven its importance and success during the past two years as a valuable and beneficial health safeguard for our school children. The Health Department and its nurses, in cooperation with the School Department and its staff, Dr. Kohn and Dr. Wein, performed the tuberculin test upon 451 children and 148 school employees for a total of 599. This total represents an increase of 234 over the previous year. Next year we plan to include the seventh grade children in our program. This will provide the Health Department with a more representative ratio and afford better protection for the children throughout their years of schooling.

Dr. Kurt Kohn was appointed the new consulting physician to the Board of Health, replacing Dr. Ramah, who left to take another position. A monthly meeting between Dr. Kohn and the Health Department personnel has been instituted to discuss the new trends and latest practices in medicine. These discussions have been most valuable to all concerned.

The Health Department worked with other town departments and health agencies toward the advancement and betterment of community health and health practices. I have kept in close contact with all other inspectors and offices that come under the supervision of the Board of Health. I was privileged to be appointed as a member of the Health Training Advisory Committee, an affiliate of the State Health Department. I have also been enrolled as a registered Sanitarian according to State requirements.

The Health Department has incorporated a new system of filing and keeping records. A new tuberculosis register has been formed. The Well Baby Clinic has been relocated in the schools for a more convenient and efficient service to the people. The Town Public Health Nurses' report will cover this in more detail. 1958 also saw the official completion of the Westfield River Sewer Interceptor and the addition of approximately 18,908 feet of sanitary sewer in the town.

Twenty-five premature babies were born to Agawam residents during the year. Of this total there were five infant deaths. The department issued aid to only one family of these premature babies in the form of payment of hospital care for the infants. Thirty-four days of hospital care were involved amounting to \$368.12.

There were one hundred and eleven deaths reported to the Town Clerk's office. Heart disease is the leading cause of death in Agawam with 54% of the total. 13% of the deaths were caused by cancer which is the second leading cause. The remaining 33% were made up by pneumonia, stillborns, accidental, generalized arteriosclerosis and prematurity.

There were 416 communicable diseases reported to the Health Department in 1958.

| Disease | Cases |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Chicken Pox | 113 |
| Hepatitis | 1 |
| German Measles | 28 |
| Measles | 170 |
| Mumps | 22 |
| Salmonellosis | 3 |
| Scarlet Fever | 13 |
| Tuberculosis (skin) | 1 |
| Dog Bites | 63 |
| Rat Bite | 1 |
| Rabbit Bite | 1 |

The following figures are an abridged statistical breakdown of the work involved in the Health Department.

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|---|-----|
| Laboratory analyses (including milk, milk products, water, restaurant utensils and urinalysis | 106 |
| Outside sewer connections | 73 |
| Septic tank installation inspections | 47 |
| Percolation tests for private sewage disposal systems | 38 |
| Environmental sanitation inspections and investigations | 141 |
| Restaurant and Food establishment inspections | 71 |
| Camps, Day Nurseries, and School inspections | 18 |
| Health counseling | 23 |

There was a total of 174 licenses and permits issued.

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|---------------------------------|----|
| Methyl Alcohol | 8 |
| Masseur | 1 |
| Day Camp and Kindergarten | 3 |
| Ice Cream Manufacture | 3 |
| Pasteurization Plants | 2 |
| Sale of Oleomargarine | 19 |
| Milk, sale of | 51 |
| Common Victuallers | 48 |
| Septic Tank permits | 37 |
| Funeral Directors | 2 |

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Board of Health, and the Public Health Nurses for their assistance and cooperation during my first year as Health Agent. I wish to extend my sincerest thanks to all other departments and personnel and to the townspeople for their cooperation in making a successful year for the Health Department.

Local participation in Robinson State Park facilities increased during 1958. Above shows section of swimming pool being occupied by the younger clan.



Town Nurse

The total number of nursing calls made from January to December 31, 1958 were 3,007. The duties of the Public Health Nurse are as follows: Skilled nursing care of the sick in their homes and instructions of someone in the home regarding the care of the patient. Supervision of the health of adults especially in regards to the prevention and retardation of those diseases common to adult life. Teaching of home nursing, maternal and child care. Carrying out special immunization programs in the school. We co-operate with the hospitals by following up patients who need further nursing care including mental health care. Hypodermics are given only upon the written orders of a physician. A nurse may give drugs and therapeutic preparations hypodermically.

First aid treatment was given to twenty-seven town employees. Total of 52 visits. Three patients under private doctors orders made 34 visits to the office for treatment.

The tuberculin program was held September 29th at the following schools: Senior High and Phelps. September 30th, Granger, Pierce, Danahy and Junior High. Total children, 451 including Seniors and first grade. Total adults, 148 including teachers, janitors, cafeteria workers and bus drivers. Dr. Kurt Kohn and Dr. Eber Wein were doctors in charge, assisted by Public Health Nurses, Mrs. John Cascella and Mrs. Fred Egbert, and school nurses, Miss Mary O'Brien and Mrs. Rupert Kane.

Mrs. Fred Egbert attended a two week course from June 9th to the 16th at the University of Mass., on "Interpersonal Relation." Mrs. John Cascella went June 23rd to the 30th on "Nursing of Children."

The following meetings were attended by the nurses: Y.W.C.A. Jan. 17th and 27th Community Council. March 27th meeting at Soldiers' Hospital in Holyoke Hampden District Mental Health. April 7th, T. B. meeting with Miss Drenna and Miss Nolin. November 3rd and 17th, Mental Tension in Modern Family. November 20th, Alcoholism and T. B. in Westfield. December 3rd, Western Mass. League Nursing Annual Meeting.

Dr. Kurt Kohn consulting physician for Agawam Board of Health has contributed his time to meet and speak with the Public Health Nurses and School Nurses. His first lecture was on "Viruses." On Nov. 21st, he spoke on "Radiation" and the effect on the human body. A question and answer period pertaining to specific problems in the health of the town was taken up. He will plan to lecture once a month.

In September the Well Baby Conference was decentralized into the

Senior High School, Phelps and South Street School under supervision of Dr. Mildred Hausman. During the year there were twenty-one clinics held with the attendances of two-hundred sixteen babies and children making 822 visits. Completing their series of triple antigen for whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus were 82. Small pox vaccines, 91. Polio vaccines, 137; 82 received boosters.

Our loaning cupboard has been active for the year, but it would be appreciated if the townspeople would return equipment as soon as they are finished with it.

Appreciation is given to all for their cooperation with the nursing department, especially to our new Health Agent, Mr. Joseph Faucette.

Gypsy Moth Control

The present situation of the Gypsy Moth scourge is good, but I make that statement with a cautious tone. The danger of a heavy Gypsy Moth infestation is ever present, anyplace, anytime.

The first part of this year, 1958, I made a routine preliminary survey of the wooded areas of our town. This survey covered approximately 14 to 17 square miles. Small areas of Gypsy Moth damage were tagged and recorded. These damaged trees and areas were treated and were watched closely. The latter part of the year, in the Fall, the whole area was again re-inspected. Results were good even though some new infestations had occurred.

I consulted and visited neighboring communities with regards to their Gypsy Moth problems, knowing only full well that any infestation can be started and spread rapidly.

I have toured the area with the Health Agent making an evaluation survey of our wooded areas. Over 400 man hours have gone into a successful Gypsy Moth Control program for 1958. Constant surveillance and treatment with control measures are the means that must be constantly employed to eradicate the Gypsy Moth and keep our town free of this damaging pests.

Libraries

Early this year Miss Cahill, from the State Department, visited the three libraries at our request to make a survey of the needs of the Town and to make suggestions for their operation, many of which have been adopted. She sent figures which showed how much less Agawam spends on the libraries than other towns of the same size. While she commended the librarians on what we were doing, with what we have to do with, she said until more money was appropriated no great changes could be made.

More and more pupils are coming for help which is hard to give when there is a line of people waiting to have books checked in and out. Because the Agawam Center Library is partly controlled by the Agawam Library Association, that library is open four days from 2 until 8 o'clock. This year we have asked for a little more money so that North Agawam and Feeding Hills libraries may be open two afternoons and evenings a week.

| | No. Books | Borrowers | Circulation |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Feeding Hills | 8900 | 718 | 8,360 |
| No. Agawam | 6054 | 1085 | 15,631 |
| Agawam Center | 9000 | 1504 | 18,433 |



Spring will signal the start of construction for a store, identical to the one pictured in the Shopping Center adjacent to the present Woolworth's Department store.

Commercial Slaughter Inspector

Mr. Artem Honchar, during 1958, made ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections of the following animals:

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Calves | 518 |
| Sheep | 70 |
| Beef Cattle | 6 |

He condemned 2 calves and 1 beef animal.

Domestic Slaughter and Meat Inspector

Mr. Herbert G. Taylor made ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections of the following animals:

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Pigs | 279 |
| Beef Cattle | 8 |

Animal Inspector

I herewith submit my report for the year 1958:

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| Barns Inspected | 32 |
| No. of Dairy Cows | 247 |
| No. of Calves | 146 |
| No. of Bulls | 8 |
| No. of Steers | 19 |
| No. of Horses | 14 |
| No. of Swine | 768 |
| No. of Sheep | 15 |
| No. of Goats | 8 |
| No. of Dog Bites reported | 63 |

There has been a numerous number of dog bites occurring in the first two weeks of June. This probably can be based on the fact that children are on summer vacation from school. Again I would like to caution the townspeople to report all dog bites to the Agawam Health Department.

Agawam Public Schools

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Term Expires |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Paul J. Adams, Chairman | 1959 |
| Katherine G. Danahy, Secretary | 1960 |
| Dr. Paul J. Query | 1959 |
| Stewart Safford | 1960 |
| Elizabeth Pond | 1961 |
| Philip J. DeForge | 1961 |

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

James Clark

Telephone RE 9-1564

Address: 28 Reed Street

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Junior High School Building — 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., School Days

Appointments should be arranged in advance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Mrs. Kathleen Arnold

HOURS IN SESSION

Senior High School

8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Junior High School

9:00 A.M. - 3:05 P.M.

Elementary Schools

8:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 3, 1958 to June 19, 1959

1958

| | | | |
|-------|----|-----------|--|
| Sept. | 3 | Wednesday | Schools open — beginning of school year |
| Oct. | 13 | Monday | Schools closed — observance of Columbus Day |
| | 24 | Friday | Schools closed — Hampden County Teachers' Association Convention |
| Nov. | 11 | Tuesday | Schools closed — Veterans' Day |
| | 27 | Thursday | Schools closed — Thanksgiving Vacation |
| | 28 | Friday | Wednesday, November 26 — all schools close at noon |
| Dec. | 1 | Monday | Schools reopen |
| | 23 | Tuesday | Schools close for Christmas Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day |

1959

| | | | |
|-------|----|--------|---|
| Jan. | 5 | Monday | Schools reopen |
| Feb. | 20 | Friday | Schools close for Midwinter Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day |
| March | 2 | Monday | Schools reopen |
| | 27 | Friday | Schools closed — Good Friday |
| April | 20 | Monday | Schools closed — observance of Patriots' Day |
| | 24 | Friday | Schools close for Spring Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day |
| May | 4 | Monday | Schools reopen |
| June | 15 | Monday | Beginning of last week of school year Elementary schools — half day Junior High School — half day Senior High School — exams |
| | 19 | Friday | Schools close for Summer Vacation — end of school year |

(183 school days)

School Committee

The Agawam School Committee has made every effort to see that the school system operated within the budget voted for the year 1958. This was made possible due to the fact that no new school was opened in the year 1958 and thus the variables were not as great.

The 1958 budget represented an increase of \$194,000. We are happy to report that the budget increase requested for 1959 represents an increase of \$120,000. It should also be noted that this is a gross increase and that the net to the town will be an approximate increase of \$85,000 brought about by increased state aid plus an amount returned from the 1958 budget.

The School Committee has recommended, at past annual meetings, that a new school is required in Agawam every two years to meet the increased enrollment and keep our school children away from double sessions. A new school was opened in September of 1957 and to meet this schedule one should open in September of 1959. If this school does not open, we will possibly have to have double sessions in some grade levels. The School Committee has also recommended the acquisition of school sites for future needs and still feels that this is good planning.

Progress in the school system has been checked through the visitation of school committee members and through achievement testing. We also participated in an evaluation of our senior high school and are studying the outcomes at the present time to find where future improvement may be made as the money is available. The state department office reported that the graphical and numerical evaluation of the Agawam High School compared favorably with schools already evaluated in Massachusetts.

Individual school committee members attended several meetings of the Area Five Association of School Committees. Mr. Paul J. Adams was elected Chairman of The Area Five Association of School Committees which includes sixty-eight cities and towns in the Western Massachusetts area. School committee members have attempted through the American School Board Journal and the Massachusetts Association of School Committees to keep abreast of the better things developing in the field of education.

We regret the loss of Dr. Paul J. Query as a member of the committee. He has announced he will not be a candidate for a second term due to pressure of business and other activities.

Financial Statement

December 31, 1958

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|--|----------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,157,978.00 |
| Transfer from Reserve Fund 12-3-58 | 1,095.12 |
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| | \$1,159,073.12 |

EXPENDITURES

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|--|----------------|
| General Expense | \$ 21,914.28 |
| Teachers' Salaries | 744,888.94 |
| Textbooks | 20,547.38 |
| Stationery & Supplies | 14,929.49 |
| Janitors' Salaries | 80,180.23 |
| Fuel | 27,218.06 |
| Misc. Operating Expense & Janitors' Supplies | 33,933.54 |
| Repairs and Replacements | 28,912.15 |
| Libraries | 274.15 |
| Health | 13,989.08 |
| Transportation | 84,912.20 |
| Insurance | 16,932.31 |
| Tuition | 14,079.05 |
| Miscellaneous Expense | 1,834.71 |
| Adult Education | 3,862.21 |
| Outlay, New Equipment | 4,741.01 |
| Vocational Agriculture | 4,690.87 |
| Vocational Household Arts | 3,762.08 |
| School Athletics | 3,472.36 |
| Manual Arts | 6,357.55 |
| Travel Outside Commonwealth | 435.96 |
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| | \$1,131,867.61 |

Paid by Federal Funds:

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|---|-----------|
| George-Barden Funds for Agriculture | \$ 212.48 |
|---|-----------|

Superintendent of Schools

This fifth annual report of the Superintendent of Schools comes to you during a period of great change in the educational world. The pressures of enrollment have not changed and will not change during the next ten years if our enrollment projections are accurate. These projections reflect what is happening in education in the United States but more severely in Agawam. Agawam has had a 72.9% increase in pupils during a six year period. The enrollment increase has brought definite shortages in space for children in the Agawam Public Schools.

Your administrative staff, with the approval of the School Committee, has introduced courses for trainable children, special class children at the senior high level, plus accelerated courses in the junior and senior high schools for those students able to profit from them. The senior high staff spent many hours during a full year of intensive self evaluation in writing course curriculum for every subject plus evaluation of the contents of this curriculum.

We recognize the cost of needed buildings, equipment, textbooks and supplies to the taxpayers of Agawam. It has been the conviction of school administrators for many years that the property tax, which is highest in New England, can not bear the burden of public schools plus the needs of other town departments. We look for a solution through more state and federal aid, and we hope that the taxpayers of Agawam will support this movement to alleviate the condition of high property taxes.

We have further reason for asking for your support. We feel the public school systems of the United States are our first line of defense. Russia has realized this and is pouring some 12% of her national income into education while the United States gives only 4%.

Further pressures are felt through the shortage of qualified teachers. Agawam needs to hire about twenty to twenty-five new teachers each year to take care of replacements and new staff members. It has been difficult to find these new teachers during the past five years. The average teacher's salary still does not reflect the average income coming into the American home in this country.

Your administrative and custodial staff have attempted to keep the present seven buildings in a state of good repair. We recognize that the limitation of funds prevents doing all that is necessary in any one school year. Your buildings have been inspected by school committee members, by the fire chief and the building inspector. No serious conditions have been reported which represent definite hazard to your school children. We

are happy to report that, contrary to current rumor in Agawam, the South Elementary School is the lowest cost school to heat in the Agawam Public School System from the actual records of the maintenance supervisor.

We feel that the public schools of Agawam have enjoyed a good educational reputation over a period of years, and your present staff has done everything possible to maintain this fine reputation. Approximately forty to fifty percent of the senior high pupils go on to higher education and report successful records. We are able to offer the program for secondary schools recommended by Dr. Conant in his research report on secondary education.

Your Superintendent of Schools and the staff members wish to thank the parents, students, and taxpayers of Agawam for their interest, financial support, and cooperation.

REIMBURSEMENT BY COMMONWEALTH AND OTHER RECEIPTS

| | 1957 | 1958 |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Chapter 70 (Teachers' Salaries) | \$133,667.65 | \$147,707.65 |
| Chapter 71 (Transportation) | 49,415.54 | 59,246.45 |
| Agricultural Instruction | 3,097.97 | 2,465.75 |
| Vocational Household Arts | 2,792.04 | 2,998.68 |
| Adult Education | 84.35 | 481.87 |
| Trade School Tuition | 2,552.65 | 3,681.68 |
| Tuition and Transportation of State Wards | 473.98 | 450.15 |
| Transportation of Pupils to Vocational Schools | 101.70 | 403.70 |
| Tuition received from other Towns | 1,501.00 | 1,364.09 |
| Received from Manual Training Department | 424.71 | 548.39 |
| Received from Rental of School Property | 584.00 | 656.00 |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 17.06 | 89.87 |
| Braille Teacher | 602.20 | 1,499.20 |
| Special Education | 6,983.50 | 10,013.75 |
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| | \$202,298.35 | \$231,607.23 |

COST OF SCHOOLS TO TOWN

| | 1957 | 1958 |
|---|--------------|----------------|
| Total Expenditures by the Town | \$965,801.86 | \$1,131,867.61 |
| Reimbursements | 202,298.35 | 231,607.23 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Amount paid for Schools from Local Taxation | \$763,503.51 | \$900,260.38 |

Enrollment December 31, 1958

| Grades | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Sp | Tr. | Total |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-------|
| Benjamin J. Phelps | 131 | 107 | 111 | 113 | 112 | 32 | | | | | | | | | 606 |
| Katherine G. Danahy | 49 | 60 | 57 | 34 | 78 | | | | | | | | | | 278 |
| Faolin M. Peirce | 54 | 56 | 45 | 70 | | | | | | | | | | | 225 |
| Clifford M. Granger | 67 | 55 | 57 | 55 | 60 | | | | | | | | | | 294 |
| South Elementary | 93 | 76 | 91 | 82 | 81 | | | | | | | | 14 | 6 | 443 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1846 |
| Junior High | | | | | | 297 | 340 | 239 | | | | | 13 | | 889 |
| Senior High | | | | | | 233 | 221 | 194 | 148 | 16 | | | | | 812 |
| Totals | 394 | 354 | 361 | 354 | 331 | 329 | 340 | 239 | 233 | 221 | 194 | 148 | 43 | 6 | 3547 |

High School Principal

I herewith submit the annual report of the Agawam Senior High School.

During the past year senior high school administrators gave very serious consideration to the Conant Report. Dr. James B. Conant, recently president of Harvard University, was given the necessary resources to make an extensive survey of the high schools of the United States.

He visited schools of various types and sizes at strategic points in the country. In each case he checked the academic offerings, gave consideration to preparation for college or immediate participation in business, and published his findings. It was a pleasure to note that his suggestions and the offering of this school varied only slightly.

The New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is an organization which certifies its members for any school of higher education in the United States. Accordingly, a membership in the Association is a necessity for any high school in this area if it wishes to place its graduates in schools and colleges of advanced study.

Agawam High School had been a member of the Association for many years but a recent ruling made the evaluation of a high school mandatory for continued membership. During the past year the school submitted to an evaluation by a group chosen in accordance with the ruling. The school was given an excellent rating and was granted continued membership.

Currently the enrollment of the school is 818. The conceded capacity of the building is but 800. At this time no noticeable curtailment of activities has been necessary except that rooms really not suitable for homerooms are used as such and the cafeteria is used for a study hall.

With the increase contemplated for the next year the building will be seriously overcrowded and the groups in both subject classes and homerooms will be large enough to affect the program. Steps to remedy the situation must be taken soon. Time lost by a student can never be made up.

The pupils whose names follow were recipients of a membership in the Pro Merito Society. Membership to the exclusive group attests to an academic average of 85% or better for four years.

Jean Arnold
Barbara Bellano
Robert Broggi
Richard D'Amato
Josiane DeLeeuw-Ford
Gloria DiDonato
Louise Mercadante
Sandra Miller

Kenneth Molta
Joy Montagna
Faye Parker
Gay Reynolds
Emilio Santini
Carol Trincinella
Dorothy Zucco

Following are the names of pupils whose record was outstanding in the subject fields noted. The school is very grateful to the donors of these prizes.

| | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Citizenship, Daughters of the American Revolution | Gay Reynolds |
| History Award, Veterans of Foreign Wars, \$10 | Gay Reynolds |
| Music, Agawam Women's Club, \$5 | Gay Reynolds |
| English Award, Agawam Women's Club, \$5 | Gay Reynolds |
| Valedictorian Prize, Reader's Digest | Gay Reynolds |
| Latin, Benjamin J. Phelps, Agawam Lions Club, \$10 | Gay Reynolds |
| Art, Agawam Women's Club, \$5 | Theresa Gregory |
| English Award, Excellence in Literature, \$5 | Josiane DeLeeuw-Ford |
| International Relations Prize, Agawam Women's Club, \$5 | Josiane De Leeuw-Ford |
| English Award, General Excellence, \$5 | Joy Montagna |
| Bookkeeping Award, \$5 | Joy Montagna |
| Commercial Award, Agawam Women's Club, Stenography | Louise Mercadante |
| Mathematics and Science, Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute | Kenneth Molta |
| Industrial Art Award, Veterans of Foreign Wars, \$5 | Duane Asta-Ferrero |
| Art Award, \$5 | Duane Asta-Ferrero |
| Personality Club Awards, \$10 | Karen Stephens |
| \$10 | Robert Broggi |
| Agriculture, American Agriculturist Foundation, Scroll and Book | Robert Boden |
| Vocational Household Arts, American Agriculturist Foundation, Scroll and Book | Leona Safford |
| Julian Magiera Student Council Award, Class of '43 | Emile Daglio |
| Science, Bausch & Lomb | Richard D'Amato |
| Third National Bank, Highest Commercial Award | Joy Montagna |
| Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cataldo, Agawam Food Mart, Highest Academic Averages for boys and girls, \$50 | Gay Reynolds |
| \$50 | Richard D'Amato |
| Agawam Jr. Women's Club Science Award, \$25 | Richard D'Amato |

The success of the year was due to your helpful interest Mr. Clark, the faith of the School Committee, the unselfishness of the citizens, and the co-operation of faculty and students.

Junior High School Principal

Last year our enrollment averaged 890 pupils. It is rather interesting to note that we are maintaining almost the same average again this year. However, a very noticeable change next September will be a gain of three eighth grade divisions in the junior high school. Keeping in mind that we have twenty-seven classrooms, we will house ten seventh grade groups, ten eighth grade groups and a special class, which will leave us six rooms for elementary school use.

It is rather unfortunate that we gave up over three years ago such special rooms as the library, music room and art room to accomodate elementary pupils. It is very difficult to use an art room as a regular homeroom because of the valuable supplies and equipment which are stored in an art room. It is also very difficult to use an auditorium for music classes all day when it should be available for much larger groups.

We are very crowded in our school lunchroom but get along quite well under the circumstances. The main objection is that we find it necessary to run five lunch periods every day to accommodate 890 pupils. It is interesting to note that we are serving 525 to 550 hot meals daily and are consuming approximately 750 cartons of milk daily. An acoustical tile ceiling would do much to improve this area.

I wish to mention again the recommendation I made last year in reference to renovating the girls basement area. I know it would be rather costly, but would be money well spent. We must keep in mind that this building was opened in 1921 and the girls basement area is completely outmoded and in great need of being modernized. The boys basement area was renovated at least ten years ago.

New furniture is badly needed in two classrooms. Room 5 which is a regular eighth grade homeroom is using the old bookkeeping tables and chairs which we inherited from the old high school. The typing tables and chairs are also of the same quality and approximately twenty years old. The teachers in both of these rooms have urged that we consider replacing the furniture if possible.

We have just concluded a very successful magazine campaign drive which is held annually. From the profits realized we have purchased a complete public address system for the entire school. This includes a speaker in all of the homerooms and special rooms, plus six in the corridors. Also included in the system is a new amplifier and record player which is installed in the general office. The cost of this system to date is approximately \$1,000. and we have paid \$600. of this amount.

With a need for greater emphasis on science and demonstrations, we have purchased a complete moveable lab fully equipped which cost us approximately \$500. The students are proud of these improvements as they are the ones who raised the money.

We have maintained a high academic standing while encouraging many extra curricular activities. Listed are a few of the outstanding events of the school year:

1. Junior high school basketball team
2. Girls drill team
3. School cheerleaders
4. Baton twirling classes
5. A science fair
6. Participation in the Memorial Day parade
7. Our first gymnasium program by the boys and girls
8. Several student trips to such places as Springfield Institution for Savings, Western Mass. Electric Company, Springfield Hospital
9. Participation in the annual music festival at Easthampton
10. An active Junior Red Cross
11. Two parents' nights
12. Our annual eighth grade dance
13. An amateur show
14. Our junior high school spring music festival
15. Several entertaining and educational assemblies

I wish to commend the teachers for their excellent cooperation and willingness to devote the many extra hours which they do to help so many of our junior high school pupils. The students are also worthy of commendation for their excellent school spirit.

Elementary School Principals

Activities in our five elementary schools have followed the usual pattern. These activities such as Junior Red Cross, "Save the Children Federation", the B. J. Phelps Scholarship Tag Day, and the March of Dimes, have been successfully carried out.

During Education Week all schools observed "Open House". This gave the parents a fine chance to discuss the progress of their children with the teachers. It is regrettable that all parents do not avail themselves of this

opportunity. It is understood, of course, that all schools are open at all times to interested parents.

The appointment of Mr. Weiner as full time physical education instructor in the elementary schools has helped to fill a long felt need in grades four and five. Due to the large number of classes, some of the third grades are still unable to participate in the program. We are looking forward to the day when all the elementary grades will be a part of this very valuable aspect of the curriculum.

Enrollment in the first grades this year has been about four hundred. The crowded condition in this grade will only be alleviated with the opening of the new school. It is inevitable that double sessions will be carried on in some school.

In December a dental survey was conducted by Miss Ely, state dental hygienist. The survey was in grades two, four, and six. As soon as the survey was completed the evaluation was made public and individual notifications were sent home by the children.

Agawam Elementary children have banked \$27,219.84 since January 1. This is an indication of the value of the School Saving program.

We feel that great credit is due to the custodial staff of our schools for the interest and care shown in the upkeep of the buildings.

Our sincere thanks to the School Committee, Mr. Clark, teachers, nurses, doctors, and cafeteria workers for their untiring help and cooperation in all our endeavors.

Lunch Report for Fiscal Year 1958

| | Phelps | Granger | Peirce | Danahy | So. Elem | Jr. High | High |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|----------|------|
| Average Daily Attendance | 547 | 261 | 206 | 249 | 404 | 851 | 726 |
| Average Sold Per Day: | | | | | | | |
| Lunches with Milk | 306 | 180 | 96 | 172 | 226 | 504 | 479 |
| Milk Only | 170 | 99 | 72 | 44 | 160 | 140 | 148 |

Lunches Sold for the Year: 346,693 — Free Lunches: 4,769 — 1/2-Pints of Milk Purchased: 514,806

Financial Report for the Year 1958

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance December 31, 1957 | \$ 11,724.54 |
| Lunchroom Receipts | 103,400.94 |
| Claims Received | 36,429.64 |
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| Total Cash on Hand | \$ 151,555.12 |
| Less Disbursements: | |
| Payable Dec. 31, 1957 | \$ 6,164.73 |
| Disbursements | 137,383.07 |
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| | 143,547.80 |
| | <hr/> |
| Balance | \$ 8,007.32 |
| Bills Payable Dec. 31, 1958 | 7,971.73 |
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| Balance Dec. 31, 1958 | \$ 35.59 |
| Claims Due | \$ 7,257.29 |
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| Balance | \$ 7,292.88 |

School Health

The School Health Department has been increased by one full-time nurse with the approval of the School Committee.

Once again, with the help of the Town Health Department, the T. B. Mantoux tests were given to the seniors, the first grade students, and all school personnel.

Dental clinics were started this fall with Dr. Alexander Stevens. Miss Ely, State Public Health Dental Hygiene Supervisor, has completed a survey in the second, fourth, and sixth grades.

Physical examinations are being conducted in grades three, five, seven, and ten by Dr. Wein and Dr. Kohn. Dr. Kurt Kohn replaced Dr. Ramah. All new students are also examined.

Many state, district, school nurses and other organizational meetings have been attended by the staff. Miss O'Brien attended the national nurses convention in Atlantic City.

A two weeks credit course on "Child Health" given at the University of Massachusetts was attended by Miss O'Brien and Mrs. Kane.

Several films, pertaining to health and welfare, have been shown to both students and teachers.

Two hundred and thirty home visits were made. Twelve hundred and twelve children were given first aid or treatment in the school clinics.

Co-operation from all has been appreciated. We have been fortunate to have the services of clinics, hearing league and guidance clinics in Holyoke, Boston and Springfield.

Once again we were given camperships to Camp Frederick Edwards and Camp Norwich.



TOWN MEETING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE RECORD AS SUBMITTED BY PRECINCT SECRETARIES:

| PRECINCT 1 | | | PRECINCT 2 | | | PRECINCT 3 | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Mar. 1, 1958 | Mar. 4, 1958 | Aug. 18, 1958 | Sept. 15, 1958 | Mar. 1, 1958 | Mar. 4, 1958 | Aug. 18, 1958 | Sept. 15, 1958 | Mar. 1, 1958 |
| Balboni, Ronald A. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Balboni, Walter A. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Bassani, Benjamin S. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Bellano, Albert W. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Bertera, Peter J. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Borgatti, Romeo | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Cavanaugh, Jerrie | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Colli, Francis A. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Colli, Thomas E. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Connor, Edward G. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Curran, Donald P. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Danahy, Katherine G. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
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| Saracino, Raymond | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Shea, John J. | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr | Pr |
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| Mar. 1, 1958 | Mar. 4, 1958 | Aug. 18, 1958 | Sept. 15, 1958 |
| Abell, Harry N., Jr. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Adams, Paul J., Jr. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Anderson, C. Paul | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Begley, Paul M. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Belcher, Leonard C. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Cascio, Elmer | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Casiello, Thomas H. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Chandler, Gordon H. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Chiricolo, John | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Clark, James | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Dacey, Frederick T. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| DeForge, Robert | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Footte, Kenneth F. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Gallano, David C. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Goss, Jean | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Hall, Ernest R. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Hallock, Howard H. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Harris, Raymond E. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Lockhart, Benjamin T. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Magovern, John M. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| McGowan, Henry L. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Mitchell, Charles C. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| O'Connor, Francis W. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| O'Keefe, James A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Progulskie, Theodore | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Shepard, Bert L. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Snell, James E. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Sullivan, John J. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Toelken, Richard W. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Zerra, Jerry L. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
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| Atwater, James C. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Bailey, Nina B. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Bodurtha, Dudley K. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Brinn, Victor H. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Campbell, George H. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Cascio, Thomas E. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Chamberlin, Elsie C. M. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Doolittle, Dorothy | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Dowd, Bernard J. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Emerson, Frederick C. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Gensheimer, Francis J. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Grasso, Alfred M. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Grasso, Frank A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Hastings, John N. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Hollister, Kenneth A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Hopkins, Ernest S. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Johnson, Ronald E. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Kistner, Charles L. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Lawson, Henry W. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Mabb, William S. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Mattoon, Donald A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Patnaude, Henry E. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Perry, M. Alice | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Pettis, Winifred S. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Roberts, Norman W. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Scala, Salvatore J. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Stahle, Winslow A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Tatro, Paul A. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Wallace, Louise R. | Pr | Pr | Pr |
| Woodbury, Maude M. | Pr | Pr | Pr |

List of Jurors

- Alajanian, George — Truck Driver
69 Randall Street
- Alcorn, Robert E. — Civil Engineer
596 Suffield Street
- Allen, Robert C. — Hampden County
46 Main Street Improvement Lg.
- Arnold, Philip E. — Lead Foreman
289 North St.
- Alvigini, Julio A. — Meat Packing
580 North Street
- Banville, Roland A. — Am. Bosch
185 North Street
- Beauchane, Eleanor D. — Packer
86 Homer Street
- Begley, Paul M. — Sales Asst.
47 Fairview Street
- Bergeron, Joseph H. — Assembler
278 Meadow Street
- Bissonnette, Anna D. — Cashier
21 Mulberry Street
- Bonavita, Carlo F. — Construction
683 Cooper Street
- Boyer, Jessie M. — Asst.
73 Adams Street
- Buoniconti, Fred A. — Builder
164 Rowley Street
- Buoniconti, Thomas F. — R.R. Engineer
36 Rowley Street
- Carmody, Frederick J. — Salesman
154 Raymond Circle
- Carlson, Fred A. — Air Procurement
51 Letendre Avenue
- Carroll, Gladys M. — Clerk
122 Meadow Street
- Cascio, Thomas E. — Landscape Gardener
262 Meadow Street
- Chechile, Charles C. — Am. Bosch
134 River Road
- Charest, Raymond E. — Control Engineer
97 Silver Street
- Charest, Romeo J. — Shipping Clerk
41 Royal Street
- Chiba, William R. — Welder
1003 No. Westfield Street
- Churchill, Robert L. — Supervisor
261 North Street
- Cirillo, Vincent F. — Hi-G, Inc.
1710 Main Street
- Clark, Loren H. — Proprietor
231 No. Westfield St.
- Cleary, Francis P. — Farmer
1282 Springfield St.
- Collina, Frank Robert — Contractor
73 Silver Lake Drive
- Connor, Michael — Garageman
88 Bridge Street
- Consolati, Alice — Cafeteria Worker
57 Cooley Street
- Consolati, David J. — Lineman
57 Cooley Street
- Corriveau, Adwilda M. — Housewife
448 Main Street
- Corriveau, Roland A. — Analyst
29 Hall Street
- Coupas, Frank — Mach Tool Operator
187 South West Street
- Cremonti, Olida — Housewife
33 Columbus Street
- Dahdah, Bashire Edward — Salesman
265 Colemore Street
- DeForge, John H. — Painter
88 Bridge Street
- Deloghia, Raymond J. — Foreman
603 Suffield Street
- DePalma, Louis — Auto Dealer
15 Memorial Park
- DePalo, Joseph — Upholsterer
15 Meadow Street
- Devecchi, Perino — Stock Foreman
10 Winthrop Street
- Dowd, Marvin F. — Trucking Co.
25 Meadow Street
- Dowling, Edmond M. — Veterinarian
187 School Street
- Draghetti, Joseph — Toolmaker
120 Homer Street
- Drew, Frederick A. — Spfld. Armory
446 Cooper Street
- Dumond, Ernest — Clerk
680 Springfield Street
- Dumond, Robert E. — Carpenter
64 Doane Avenue
- Ezekiel, George C. — Asst. Supt.
124 No. Westfield St.
- Fearn, Frances D. — Office Clerk
125 Cooley Street
- Fenney, Vernon S. — Materials Handling
32 Meadow Street
- Ferranti, Frank R. — Clerk - Foreman
23 Dover Street
- Ferrell, Clarence E. — Shipping Clerk
67 Bridge Street
- Fitzgerald, John T. — Foreman
151 Suffield Street
- Fontana, Alfred — Steamfitter
28 Meadow Street
- Gillan, George — Toolgrinder
54 Homer Street

Haggerty, Walter A. — Production Grinder
37 Bridge Street

Haggerty, Walter A., Jr. — Acct. Executive
37 Bridge Street

Hanrahan, Mary E. — Ins. Clerk
31 Fruwirth Avenue

Hubbard, Wylie C. — Eng.
58 Edgewater Road

Humiston, Woodrow A. — Johnson Asbestos
70 Hall Street Company

Isham, Evelyn R. — Housewife
37 Kensington Street

Jarvis, Ethel D. — Hostess
19 Riverview Ave.

Jeserski, Josephine — Office Work
627 So. West Street

Kane, Hollis F. — Farmer
775 No. West Street

Keefe, Philip T. — Florist
226 Walnut Street

Kellogg, Richard — Shear Operator
65 No. Westfield Street

Kida, Josephine A. — Stenographer
101 Albert St.

Labb, Jacob — Farmer
573 So. West Street

LaRock, Francis E. — Machinist
61 Kensington Street

Lawson, Henry W. — Salesman
38 School Street

Leger, Leo John — Plant Engineer
73 Cooper Street

Liberatore, James V. — Timekeeper
19 Alhambra Circle So.

Liberatore, Jennie V. — Housewife
19 Alhambra Circle So.

Liquori, Patsy R. — Gen. Contractor
712 Cooper Street

Longhi, Joseph N. — Trucking
148 Liberty St.

Lowell, Francis George — Am. Bosch
52 Simpson Circle

McCarthy, Frederick A. — Warehouse
122 Elm Street Foreman

McCullough, Lillian — Housewife
113 Cooley Street

McGowan, Henry L. — Manager
111 Suffield Street

McLellan, William J. — Manuf. Rep.
527 North Street

McMahon, Edward D. — Manager
29 Central Street

Mandrioli, Albert J. — Bartender
422 Cooper Street

Melloni, Joseph — Laborer
25 Randall Street

Menard, Lawrence E. — Manager
120 Albert Street

Monette, Joseph D. — Machinist
410 Main Street

Moore, Leslie J. — Proprietor
33 Federal Avenue

Moreno, Valentine R. — Editor
547 Suffield Street

Mullaly, Virginia C. — Admin. Asst.
14 Reed Street

Nassif, Philip — Self-employed
580 Main Street

Neill, Donald — Ins. Salesman
15 Federal Street

O'Brien, James H. — Laborer
48 Alhambra Circle So.

O'Connor, Francis W. — Printer
215 Elm Street

O'Connor, Walter J. — Aviation
21 Warren Street

O'Keefe, James A. — Manager
97 Suffield Street

Pescetta, Virgilio P. — Package Mach.
46 Ellington Street

Petersen, Agnes R. — Housewife
122 Suffield Street

Phaneuf, Armand L. — Aircraft
25 Ley Street

Prentiss, Maude M. — Secretary
104 North Street

Ramah, Joseph P. — Realtor
320 Cooper Street

Raschi, Anthony A. — Laborer
49 Fairview St.

Rieker, Richard J. — Accountant
1158 Main Street

Richards, Clarence W. — Laborer
11 Ellington Street

Robertson, John J., Jr. — Insurance
17 Washington Avenue Broker

Rossi, Antoinette T. — Tobacco Worker
42 Hastings Street

Rosso, S. Sally — Cashier-Clerk
65 Broz Terrace

Rovelli, Arselio M. — Assembler
37 Fruwirth Avenue

Russo, Thomas — Farming, Landscaping
655 Cooper Street

Sandbeck, Joseph — Salesman
42 Cooper Street

Schmidt, Alfred O. — Am. Bosch
52 Meadow Street

Shea, John J. — Outdoor Advertising
398 Suffield Street

Shibley, Edward P. — Salesman
91 Garden Street

Shibley, Victor J. — Mason Contractor
17 Rowley Street

Soper, Erwin J. — Iron Worker
56 Hall Street

Sopet, Loretta R. — Housewife
40 Homer Street
Spear, William Orr — Lumber Business
292 So. West Street
Sullivan, Eugene F., Jr. — Salesman
666 Main Street
Syriac, William C. — Clerk
128 Reed Street
Szugda, Walter J. — Toolmaker
27 Begley Street
Tonelli, Leo G. — Bench Worker
12 Fenton Street
Trumper, Marie P. — Housewife
79 Cooley Street
Uschmann, Edward J. — Bartender
471 Meadow Street
Vassallo, Ameila P. — Secretary
11 Anthony Street

Watrous, Chauncey T. — Pratt & Whitney
863 North Street
Wells, Aubrey J. — Carpenter
20 Washington Avenue
Wilson, John E. — Clerk
5 Church Street
Wojcik, Ramon M. — Asst. Manager
52 Belvedere Avenue
Woodbury, Maude M. — Clerk
24 Albert Street
Wyatt, William Arthur, Accountant
42 Warren Street
Yarmac, Anthony — Laborer
308 No. Westfield Street
Yelinik, Charles E. — Salesman
50 Brookline Avenue



"Y" Girls Day campers painting identity marks on tree plaques at Robinson State Park camp site. Left to right: Sandra Deloghia, Linda Barufaldi, Joyce Diver, Nancy Foote, Barbara Ruckstahl and Colleen Trangredi.

At the end of each 2-week period "Y" Day Campers were treated to free Taztee-Freez cones, donated by local concern.





Senior High Y.M.C.A. dance at High School Cafeteria. Between 250 and 300 youngsters participate at these dances.

Group of Seniors open bottles of refreshments during break at "Y" Senior dance. Left to right: Susan Talmadge, Cynthia Venge, Cathy Arnold, Donna Davis, Jane Minor, Lorraine Ortner.



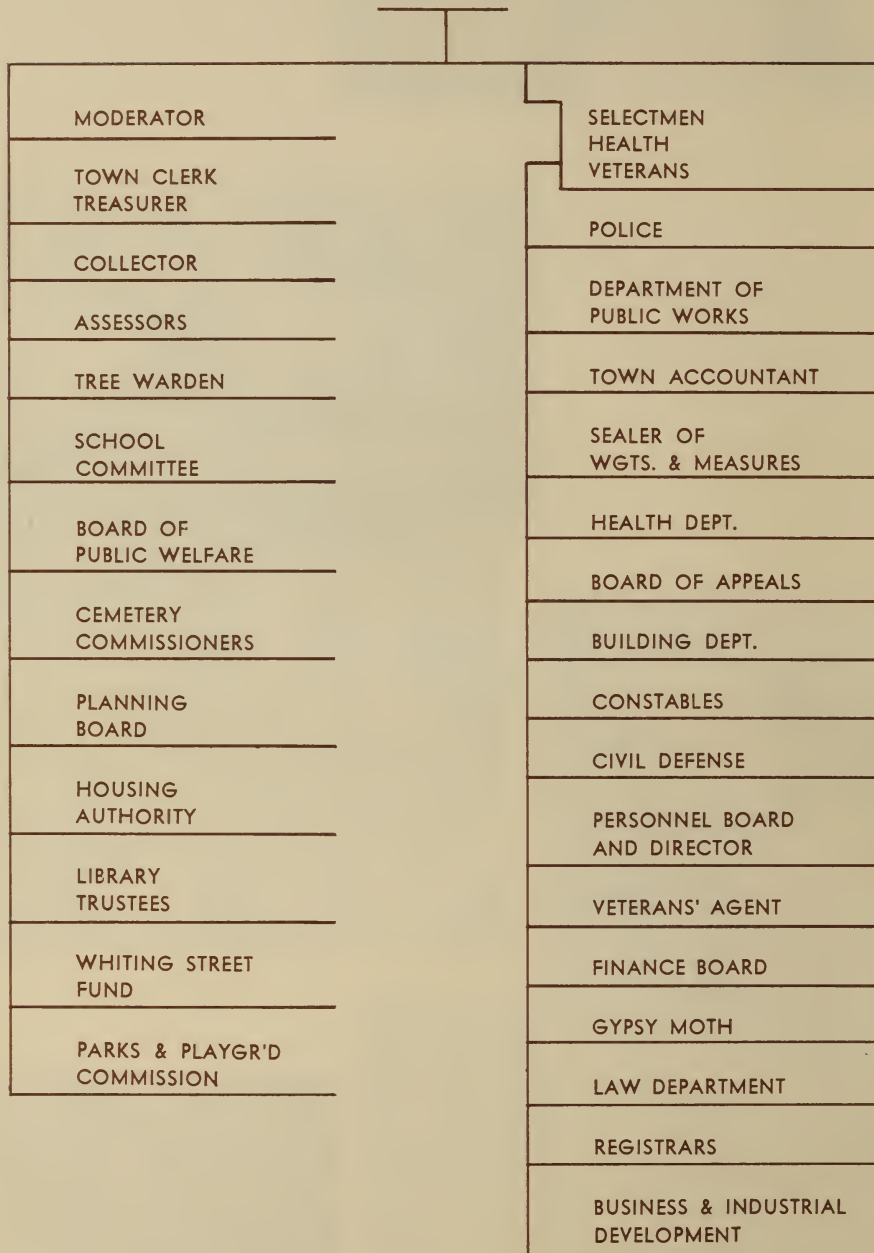
William Meyer, "Y" Day Camp instructor, gives his version of learning swim stroke to be used by Alan Wein and Alan Edward during "Y" swimming period.

John Devine and Mark Fisher check on construction ability of older boys of the Apache Tribe. The lean-to frame will be covered with ferns and branches to make a shelter for "Y" Campers.



ORGANIZATION CHART

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ATOM'S STRUCTURE

Charles MacGowan and Peter Magee pause to admire the exhibit prepared by Chester Miller for the highly successful "Science Fair" put on by high school science students.

MODERN FABRICS

Marilyn Pond explains her "Science Fair" exhibit to an attentive Peter Magee.



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